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### The Situation in South Africa.

Yesterday's Baltimore Sun gives this excellent summary of the news up to date affecting the situation in South Africa:

Lord Roberts, having occupied Bloemfontein, the Orange Free State capital, is turning his attention to uniting his armies north and south of the Orange river and opening railway connection to Cape Town. This will give him a direct route for the enormous quantities of supplies needed by his troops. General Pole-Carew and several thousand men started south on three trains yesterday morning, and at last accounts had gotten as far as Bethany, 40 miles from Bloemfontein, having met no opposition. The Boers who have been guarding the north bank of the Orange river are supposed to have disappeared in order to avoid being caught between two British forces. General Gatacre has crossed the Orange and occupied Bethulie.

Further accounts of Bloemfontein's occupation show that the only opposition to the British was from a small body of Boers posted on some kopjes southeast of the town. These soon yielded. The Boer soldiers, according to some accounts, were split by dissensions as to the advisability of defending the place. Other dispatches say there was no such division; that the fighting Boers retired northward; that the numerous English residents of the town remained, and that the delegation which met Lord Roberts gave him no welcome, but merely asked protection for life and property. Mr. Fraser, who headed the delegation, is a Scotchman and was the opposing candidate to President Steyn in the last Free State election.

It is reported that the Boers will make a stand at Brandfort, 35 miles north of Bloemfontein. The Free Staters are said to be massing at Warrenton, 60 miles north of Kimberley, to prevent the relief of Mafeking.

State Secretary Reitz, of the Transvaal, has issued a reply to Lord Salisbury, which, however, will not be sent to the British Premier, but will be published throughout the Boer republics. It says that England has now unmasked her real object in the war—to crush the republics; that the burghers will fight to the end.

President McKinley sent to the United States Senate the correspondence exchanged by Secretary Hay with London and Pretoria, which resulted in the United States offering its good offices for bringing about peace and Great Britain declining them. Lord Salisbury's reply, as thus officially stated, was that "the British Government cannot accept the intervention of any power." In the House of Commons Arthur J. Balfour, Government leader, also announced that Britain would refuse to accept any intervention of any power.

M. Delcasse, French Minister of Foreign Affairs, stated in the Senate at Paris, that, as President Kruger proposed peace on terms which Lord Salisbury was not disposed to grant, "any intervention upon such a basis would be superfluous." He also said: "The union between France and Russia draws closer every day." Russia, according to a Constantinople dispatch, is using great pressure on Turkey for railroad concessions in Asia Minor and "the Turkish Government advises against submission."

There is a reaction in England against the declaration of Lord Salisbury that Boer independence will not be permitted. An instance of this was the solidifying of the entire opposition in the House of Commons yesterday against Mr. Balfour's position in regard to interruptions of peace meetings. Mr. Balfour said the responsibility rested with those who called the meetings. The test vote resulted in 229 for the Government to 120 against it.

### The Overtures that Failed.

In response to the Allen resolution President McKinley has sent to the Senate the correspondence relating to the requests for mediation in the South African war. The first document is a dispatch from Consul Adelbert S. Hay, at Pretoria, dated March 10, which states:

"Am officially requested by the governments of the republics to urge your intervention with a view to cessation of hostilities; similar request made to representatives of European powers. Answer; confirm receipt."

Secretary Hay responded: "Your telegram asking offices of United States to bring about cessation of hostilities has been made subject of friendly communication to British Government, with expression of President's earnest hope for peace."

The Secretary cabled to Henry White, charge d'affaires of the American Embassy at London, as follows:

"By way of friendly good offices you will inform British Minister for Foreign Affairs that I am today in receipt of a telegram from the United States Consul at Pretoria reporting that the governments of the two African republics request President's intervention with a view to cessation of hostilities, and that a similar request is made to the representatives of European powers. In communicating this request I am directed by the President to express his earnest hope that a way to bring about peace may be found, and to say that he would be glad to aid in any friendly manner to promote so happy a result."

Mr. White replied to Mr. Hay under date of March 13 in these words:

"I communicated yesterday to the Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, having been unable to see Lord Salisbury, the contents of your telegram. Today I have had an interview with his Lordship, who requested me to thank the President for the friendly interest shown by him, and added that Her Majesty's Government cannot accept the intervention of any other power."

Secretary Hay cabled to the Consul at Pretoria, under date of March 14, the following:

"Your communication of request of republics for intervention of President to cause cessation of hostilities was at once conveyed to British Government with expression of President's gratification could he aid to promote peace. Our embassy at London replies that Lord Salisbury thanks the President for friendly interest shown, and adds Her Majesty's Government cannot accept the intervention of any other power."

President McKinley's message to the Senate is simply one of transmittal.

M B. Smith, Butternut, Mich., says, "DeWitt's Little Early Risers are the very best pills I ever used for costiveness, liver and bowel troubles." King Bros.

### The Blight That Killed.

Atlanta Constitution.

The Savannah Press says it is "real funny" to see an editorial statement in The Constitution to the effect that there is not a Tammany leader whose record for political honesty will not compare favorably with that of Carlisle.

Well, if the truth tickles our contemporary, we cannot help it. We mentioned the name of Mr. Carlisle for the reason that he is a conspicuous and pathetic example of the political wrecks who sacrificed a brilliant career to President Cleveland's anxious desire to destroy the democratic party.

No doubt it is true that a great many southern people get their ideas of the Tammany leaders from the cartoons and comments of the republican newspapers and periodicals, just as the Savannah Press does. Richard Croker figures in these periodicals as an ill-bred brute and vulgarian. The cartoons of which he is the target, show him off in the attitude of a bully and blackguard, whereas, he is a man of refinement and a student of wide information. The same weapons were leveled at the late John Kelly, a former leader of Tammany, but it was perfectly well known that Mr. Kelly was one of the most scholarly and highly cultured men in the metropolis.

The sin that Tammany commits, the fact that elicits all the abuse and caricature leveled at that organization, is that it is consistently and soundly democratic. Tammany is a "machine," just as all other compact organizations and machines. There is no other way for a party to succeed; and it is only through success that a party can put in operation its ideas and principles. The fight against Tammany, so far as the republicans are concerned, is simply a fight for the spoils. It is perfectly well known that charges of corruption against Tammany are simply inventions of the enemy. Do the republicans govern New York, when they have the opportunity, with any more economy than Tammany?

The main trouble with Mr. Croker is that he doesn't know how to be polite to men who have denounced and slandered him. He talks to them in plain English. His attitude before the Mazet committee gave mortal offense to the republican representatives of cultured corruption. He insulted all his enemies when he asked the chairman of the committee why he didn't call Platt. The republicans put their heads together over this blunt question. They didn't call Platt, but they served notice on their editors and cartoonists that a man who could so far forget himself as to ask why an angel like Platt was not called before the committee must be trying to hide something. This was the republican reply to the searchlight question, and the retired tradesmen and the old maids who read the "reform" newspapers lifted up their hands in horror, and looked under their beds at night to see if Croker hadn't slipped in and concealed himself in order to escape public criticism.

Referring again to the comparison which our Savannah contemporary finds so truly humorous, we desire to ask when Tammany has ever been accused of a transaction on a par with the midnight bond deal which Mr. Carlisle entered into as secretary of the treasury under Cleveland? When did any Tammany leader sacrifice the public interests entrusted to their care in such a wholesale manner? The midnight bond deal represented a compact to sell to a financial syndicate sixty-odd millions of bonds at 104, when the same amount of bonds could have been disposed of in a public transaction for 114 and 116. The same bonds were sold by the syndicate for 118 and 120. Now, Tweed never got away with more cash than was handed over to the syndicate in that midnight transaction—and it was money belonging to the whole people.

Now, we have no reason to believe that Mr. Carlisle himself was responsible for this transaction. He was under the malign influence of Cleveland ism; he was under orders; and yet in the political record the whole wretched business is placed to his credit. The real Carlisle was the man who stood up in the house in the early seventies and denounced the destruction of greenbacks that was then under way in the treasury department. The real Carlisle was the man who was the idol of the Kentucky democracy. The Carlisle of the Cleveland era was and is a different man altogether.

He is no longer a Kentuckian. A stranger in a strange city, he is without a following. All his brilliant attainments go for nothing. His political career is ended. He has, as it were, already passed away while yet alive. He is not the only wreck that lines the brief existence of Clevelandism. Daniel Vorhees, as brilliant a man as ever sat in the senate, succumbed to the malign influence. Too late he saw the position in which he had been placed, and it was more than his sensitive nature could stand. He had been made the victim of the most solemn lies; he had been deceived into advocating Clevelandism; and he never recovered from the shock that came to him when he saw that he had been made the victim of deception. He had been a great democratic leader, the idol of his constituents; but the blight of Clevelandism fell upon him, and he died without a following.

There are other wrecks of Clevelandism lying scattered about in the political ditches. Their public career has been cut short and they have been left by the wayside to warn all ambitious men that political honesty and consistency are always at a premium. And we think the warning will be heeded by the new generation of democrats.

### CURRENT COMMENT.

Gen. Julian S. Carr, says our Raleigh correspondent, delivered two ringing speeches in Alamance county last Saturday, 10th inst, at Graham in the morning and at Burlington at night. There is no more enthusiastic and earnest advocate of the Amendment in the State than General Carr.

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### THE BOER PEACE OVERTURES.

We give below the main facts in the matter of the Boer overtures for peace and their rejection by Great Britain.

Meanwhile, we would again ask the attention of our readers to the extraordinary attitude which the American people are occupying towards the war of Great Britain, a foreign country, upon the Boers, and the war of our own government upon the Filipinos. Every day our brethren are being killed and wounded in those tropical Luzon marshes, and yet we give hardly a passing thought to them or to their more numerous victims, the people we were going to free from the yoke of Spain, but are straining all ears to catch the least bit of news about those foreigners who are killing each other in South Africa!

The strange spectacle is a psychological puzzle—or else, and we incline to this view, it is the result of the control of the news agencies by the McKinley administration, which is thus diverting attention from its own despotic acts.

A London cable of Tuesday's date said:

The United States Government, at the request of Presidents Kruger and Steyn, has offered to the British Government its services as mediator, with the view of bringing about peace in South Africa.

The United States charge d'affaires, Henry White, saw Lord Salisbury at the Foreign Office this evening and received a formal reply from the British Government declining the good offices of the United States in regard to peace.

The interview between Mr. White and Lord Salisbury was brief, the Premier confining himself to a courteous verbal declination without entering into details.

The representations made to Great Britain were so put that they assumed nothing of a desire to intervene, but simply transmitted the communications made to United States Consul Adelbert S. Hay, at Pretoria, with the accompanying assurance that anything the State Department could do in the interest of peace would be gladly undertaken.

As the Boer overtures had already been answered to the effect that no proposition including the retention of the Boer republics' independence could be considered the presentation of the American offer was too late, but the Premier apparently deemed it of sufficient importance to put himself on record with a formal reply.

Following is the correspondence between Presidents Kruger and Steyn and the British Premier:

KRUGER AND STEYN TO SALISBURY.

"Bloemfontein, March 5.—The blood and the tears of thousands who have suffered by this war and the prospect of all moral and economic ruin wherewith South Africa is now threatened make it necessary for both belligerents to ask themselves dispassionately and as in the sight of the tribune of God for what are they fighting and whether the aim of each justifies all this appalling misery and devastation.

"With this object and in view of the assertions of various British statesmen to the effect that this war was begun and is being carried on with the set purpose of undermining her Majesty's authority in South Africa and of setting up an administration over all of South Africa independent of Her Majesty's government, we consider it our duty to solemnly declare that this war was undertaken solely as a defensive measure to maintain the threatened independence of the South African republic, and is only continued in order to secure and maintain the incontestable independence of both republics as sovereign international states, and to obtain the assurance that those of Her Majesty's subjects who have taken part with us in this war shall suffer no harm whatever in person or property.

"On these conditions, but on these conditions alone, are we now, as in the past, desirous of seeing peace re established in South Africa; while, if her majesty's government is determined to destroy the independence of the republics there is nothing left to us and to our people but to persevere to the end in the course already begun. In spite of the overwhelming pre-eminence of the British empire, we are confident that that God who lighted the unextinguishable fire of love of freedom in the hearts of ourselves and of our fathers will not forsake us, and will accomplish His work in us and our descendants. We hesitated to make this declaration earlier to your excellency, as we feared that as long as the advantage was always on our side, and as long as our forces held defensive positions far within her majesty's colonies, such a declaration might hurt the feelings and honor of the British people. But now that the prestige of the British empire may be considered to be assured by the capture of one of our forces by her majesty's troops, and that we have thereby been forced to evacuate other positions which our forces had occupied, that difficulty is over and we can no longer hesitate to clearly inform your government and people in the sight of the whole civilized world, why we are fighting and on what conditions we are ready to restore peace."

SALISBURY'S REPLY.

The Marquis of Salisbury to the Presidents of the South African Republic and the Orange Free State:

"Foreign Office, March 11.—I have the honor to acknowledge your honors' telegram, dated March 5, from Bloemfontein, in which the purport is principally to demand that her majesty's government shall recognize the 'incontestable independence' of the South African republic and the Free State as 'sovereign international states' and to offer on those terms to bring the war to a conclusion.

"In the beginning of October, last, peace existed between her majesty and the two republics under conventions which then were in existence. A discussion has been pending for some months between her majesty's government and the South African republic, of which the object was to obtain redress for certain very serious grievances under which the British residents in South Africa were suffering.

In the course of these negotiations the South African Republic had to the knowledge of her majesty's government made considerable armaments and the latter had consequently taken steps to provide corresponding reinforcements of the British garrisons at Capetown and in Natal. No infringement of the rights guaranteed by the conventions had, up to that point, taken place on the British side. Suddenly at two days' notice the South African Republic, after issuing an insulting ultimatum, declared war upon her majesty and the Orange Free State, with whom there had not even been any discussion, took a similar step. Her majesty's dominions were immediately invaded by the two republics. Siege was laid to three towns within the British frontier, a large portion of two colonies was overrun with great destruction of property and life, and the republics claimed to treat the inhabitants of extensive portions of her majesty's dominions as if those dominions had been annexed to one or the other of them.

"In anticipation of these operations, the South African republic had been accumulating for many years past military stores on an enormous scale, which, by their character, could only have been intended for use against Great Britain.

"Your honors make some observations of a negative character upon the subject with which these preparations were made. I do not think it necessary to discuss the questions you have raised. But the result of these preparations carried on with great secrecy has been that the British empire has been compelled to confront an invasion which has entailed upon the empire a costly war and the loss of thousands of lives. This great calamity has been the penalty Great Britain has suffered for having of recent years acquiesced the existence of the two republics. In view of the use to which the two republics have put the positions which were given them and the calamities their unprovoked attacks have inflicted on her majesty's dominion, her majesty's government can only answer your honors' telegram by saying that they are not prepared to assent to the independence either of the South African republic or the Orange Free State."

### Webster's Views on Imperialism.

Said Congressman McCall:

Mr. Webster has been cited as authority for the position that Congress has absolutely unlimited power over the territories. The argument of even so great a lawyer as Mr. Webster in a law case can hardly be considered as authority, and the speech which he made in the Senate near the end of his career falls far short of the assertion of the doctrine of unlimited power over territories On the other hand, in one of the best considered speeches of his career, Mr. Webster spoke directly upon the very proposition involved in this bill. On the 23rd of March, 1848, he said in the United States Senate:

VIEW EXPRESSED BY WEBSTER.

"An arbitrary government may have territorial governments in distant possessions, because an arbitrary government may rule its distant territories by different laws and different systems. Russia may govern the Ukraine and the Caucasus and Kamchatka by different codes and ukases. We can do no such thing They must be of us—part of us—or else estranged. I think I see then in progress what is to disfigure and deform the Constitution. * * * I think I see a course adopted that is likely to turn the Constitution under which we live into a deformed monster—into a curse rather than a blessing—into a great frame of unequal government, not founded on popular representation, but founded in the grossest inequalities; and I think if it go on, for there is a great danger that it will go on, that this government will be broken up.

### Good Words for the Observer—A Highly Appreciated Tribute

Correspondence of the Observer.]

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.,
March 15, 1900.

MR. EDITOR:—One among many other evidences of renewed prosperity and hope for the future of our little city, is the maintenance here of a *live daily newspaper*. All admit that the Daily OBSERVER is a credit to Fayetteville; and that it is leading all the dailies in the State, in giving us the very *latest* news from all over the world! Early in the afternoon, each day, Fayetteville people are furnished with information, for which (in the absence of this publication) they would have to wait until about the middle of the following day. The OBSERVER is a clean, neatly printed, well edited, up-to-date paper, which our people should take a pride in, and which also, they should help to sustain in every possible way. The OBSERVER has been conspicuous in presenting an optimistic view of our prospects and advantages (some of our people seem to be born pessimists) and these views constantly presented, and having solid foundation in truth, have accomplished great good for our city all over the country. We are told by those who travel in this State and beyond, that Fayetteville, N. C., and its great advantages and promising future, are constantly the subject of conversation and enquiry by persons outside who, some how, have had their thoughts and attention turned in our direction. The OBSERVER has done much to bring this happy condition about. These thoughts will come to mind as one reads the daily issue of this paper.

Tuesday the OBSERVER published the action of the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce with reference to its cordially joining our own Chamber in efforts to get congressional aid to give us eight feet of water in our splendid river. It also contained the news that our Congressman had introduced a preliminary bill authorizing a *survey* of the river up to this point; and the OBSERVER, same issue, chronicled the opening of the magnificent Tolar-Hart-Holt Mill; and it also contained the news that our town authorities were beginning to retire our bonded indebtedness. The items indicate that the OBSERVER is at all times on the alert to keep our people and those outside informed of our progress in every direction.

As one who appreciates the OBSERVER'S work in the upbuilding of the city, I write this hasty article to say all honor to the OBSERVER and to express a wish for its complete success.

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### McKinley's Explanation.

Philadelphia Record.

Justly alarmed at the popular indignation over the adoption by the House of the bill to impose duties on the trade with Puerto Rico, and terror stricken lest the Administration should appear to be at variance with the influence which controls the majority in Congress and dominates the party conventions, President McKinley has sanctioned—if he have not originated—a pitiable explanation of his attitude. In asserting that there is no lack of harmony between his policy and that of the Republican leaders in Congress, and that the prevalence of the contrary impression is due to a stupid mistake on the part of the indignant people, the President has chosen to place his hope of re-election on the powers which supply the campaign fund.

The explanation, which has come ostensibly from a Cabinet officer, is that the people wholly misunderstood the eloquent words of the President's message asserting our "duty" to establish free trade with Puerto Rico. He never meant to imply that the islanders had any rights at all. That part of his message was only an appeal for alms in their behalf, not for justice. He was simply inspired by a humane impulse to relieve the distress that had been caused partly by the destruction of whatever trade the Puertoriquenos had when we wrested the island from Spain. They had never raised a hand against the flag, but welcomed it as an emblem of liberty and justice. Therefore he suggested the tossing of pennies into their hats, as benevolent persons do in the case of other afflicted and deserving mendicants.

Here, then, is the Republican attitude, officially proclaimed:

That the people of Puerto Rico, or of any other territory which has been or may be acquired by the United States, are absolutely without any rights, and wholly dependent on our generosity.

That the acquisition of such territories involves no duties or responsibilities on the part of our Government except such as Congress may choose, voluntarily, to assume.

In the case of this Republic, the founders of which offered their lives for a directly contrary principle, the doctrine is monstrous. It was because Spain held exactly this attitude toward Cuba that we fought her and won Puerto Rico. The attitude of the Republican party is against the entire spirit of our institutions, and gives the color of justice to the resistance of the Filipinos. The intelligent Republican patriots of the land will never adopt it.

It is difficult to guess what was in the mind of President McKinley when he cried: "There can be no imperialism!" the other night in New York. It is true that the policy which he advocates is not the imperialism of Great Britain in the case of Canada and Australia, both of which have self-government and themselves determine their tariff relations. But it is the imperialism of Great Britain in the case of black races which resist annexation, and the imperialism of Germany in the case of Samoa and the like.

Nobody will accept the authorized explanation as true. Nobody will believe that when the President said: "It is our plain duty to abolish all customs tariffs between the United States and Puerto Rico" he only meant that the dictates of humanity should inspire us to give something in charity to an afflicted people. He is an experienced politician, and he knew exactly how the people would understand his words. If he had meant to give alms instead of justice, he knew how to say so. He would rather be President a second time than be right.

### The People's Leader.

Springfield (Mass) Republican, Rep.

Account for it as you will, depreciate this man as you please, he appeals to the masses and they hear him gladly. No one can watch his progress through New England without recognizing that Col. Bryan is very much in the thought of the voters. It was interesting to note yesterday that many Democrats who have been repelled by the doctrine of 16 to 1 are coming around, and in fact did what they have vowed never to do—give aid and countenance to Bryan. They are impelled to this by causes outside of Col. Bryan, the new departures and dangers which the embracing of imperialism in Washington have precipitated. The defense of liberty as vital to the United States, was the portion of Mr. Bryan's speech that evoked the warmest applause. What has come to be known under the name Hannaism is also playing its part. "I begin to think," writes a New York editor unfriendly to Bryan, "that Hanna is going to elect this Nebraskan President of the United States." In any event the man who spoke to Springfield yesterday is displaying qualities such as the country has not seen for years in a minority personality, in that he is in close magnetic touch with the common run of people. Mr. Bryan has assured President McKinley that great crowds do not always mean indorsement of the man the people turn out to see. But it will at least be admitted that it is remarkable for a man not in office to command popular attention in the way yesterday's orator is doing. To parallel it we must go back long years to find the man.

### Multum in Parvo.

Senator Jones, of Arkansas, says of the attitude of the democratic Senators toward the Porto Rico bill: "The democrats accept the issues tendered by the republicans. Porto Rico has been annexed to the United States. It is an integral part of the country. The flag proclaims our sovereignty there, and the Constitution follows the flag. The republican proposition that we can enact discriminating legislation against the Porto Ricans and Porto Rican products is monstrous. We will fight it in the Senate to the limit of our extent, and we will fight it before the people from now until the ballots are cast in November."

### Money Their Only Prop

Durham Sun.

Take away the money contributed to the Republican campaign funds by the trust combinations of the country, leaving the race between the Democratic and Republican candidates, and where would the Republican party be? Between the devil and the deep blue sea; and the Democrats would hold the offices by the expressed will of the people. Republicans know this.

A. R. De Fluear, editor of the *Journal*, Doylestown, Ohio, suffered a number of years from rheumatism in his right shoulder and side. He says: "My right arm at times was entirely useless. I tried Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and was surprised to receive relief almost immediately. The Pain Balm has been a constant companion of mine ever since and it never fails." For sale by B. E. Sedberry & Sons.

One Minute Cough Cure, cures
That is what it was made for.

### Resolutions of Respect.

ARMORY F. I. L. I., March 12, 1900.

Whereas, God, Maker and Founder of the universe, has seen fit in the exercise of his all wise discretion to summon before Him from our veteran ranks comrade James H. Jones, now therefore, by the Company assembled be it resolved:

1st. That our community has lost an upright citizen, a true patriot and a good man.

2nd. That our Company has lost a member of whose record we may well be proud; one of that noble band of patriots who volunteered at the first drum-beat in '61, and marched forth to Bethel and to victory—and one who stood true in the trying years that followed; one of a number whose names shall ever shine forth brightly in the annals of our State and County.

3rd. That the heartfelt sympathy of the Company be extended to the family of the deceased in this their trying hour of affliction.

4th. That a special page be reserved in our minutes and a copy of these resolutions be spread thereon, and that a copy be forwarded to the family, and a copy sent to the papers for publication.

J. G. HOLLINGSWORTH,
C. A. KING,
E. R. MACKETHAN,
Committee.
R. H. MACDUFFIE, Acting Sec'y.

### Resolutions of Respect.

ARMORY, F. I. L. I., March 12, 1900.

Whereas, God—infinite, eternal and unchangeable—has seen fit, in the exercise of his all wise providence, to summon from our ranks to a higher assignment our revered and esteemed comrade, Major W. F. Campbell; now, therefore, by the Company assembled, be it resolved:

First. That our State, our County, and our City have lost a citizen, who, for high and general character, manly bearing, true patriotism, public spirit, and general worth, had few, if any, superiors.

Second. That the Fayetteville Independent Light Infantry has lost a member to whose record we can ever refer with the highest satisfaction and pride. As a member, his association with the Command runs back through the most trying times in the history of our country. As a young man, he shouldered his musket and went forth as a private at the first bugle blast in '61. He stood shoulder to shoulder with the foremost at Bethel, and in the dark years that followed he was never known to falter. And when all was over, and all seemed lost save honor, he still stood true—true to his Company, true to his friends, and true to his State. And in every station that he filled, grade after grade, from Private to Major, he honored his office, and did his duty and did it well, leaving for those to follow a record and an example that it shall ever be safe for us to emulate, and further one that should ever be an inspiration to every present and future member of the Command.

Third. That we tender to his bereaved family our sincere and heartfelt sympathy in this their dark hour of trial and affliction.

Fourth. That a special page be reserved and duly inscribed on our minutes, and that a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the family and a copy to the newspapers for publication.

B. R. HUSKE,
J. G. HOLLINGSWORTH,
E. R. MACKETHAN,
Committee.
R. H. MCDUFFIE, Acting Sec'y.

### The Hosiery Mill.

The Messrs. Cook and H. M. Pemberton are meeting with fine success in the knitting mill, which they have so greatly enlarged and improved. They have no trouble in disposing of their product, which is now over 100 dozen pairs a day. This is one of many similar enterprises which will start up in Fayetteville when we have the electric power and deep water to the sea.

Mrs. Harriet Evans, Hinsdale, Ill., writes, "I never fail to relieve my children from croup at once by using One Minute Cough Cure, I would not feel safe without it." Quickly cures coughs, colds, grippe and all throat and lung diseases.
King Bros.

So Many People are Exposed to rain, cold and storms, that it is necessary that they should have something to counteract the effects. A mixture of a teaspoonful of PAIN-KILLER in water sweetened, will stimulate the system and ward off any possibility of cold. It has been used for sixty years all over the world, and millions testify to its sterling worth. There is but one Pain-Killer, Perry Davis'. Price 25c. and 50c.

**WOMEN IN TROUBLE.**

**The Approach of Motherhood is the Occasion of Much Anxiety to All.**

Every woman dreads the ordeal through which she must pass in becoming a mother. The pain and suffering which is in store for her is a source of constant anxiety, fear and dread, to say nothing of the danger which the coming incident entails. The joyous anticipations with which she looks forward to baby's coming gives way to an indescribable dread of the ordeal when she fully realizes the critical and trying event which will soon approach and have to be endured.

Women should hail with delight a remedy which insures to them immunity from the pain, suffering and danger incidental to child-bearing. Such a remedy is now offered, and women need not fear longer the hour of childbirth. "Mother's Friend"—is a scientific liniment—and if used before confinement, gently and surely prepares the body for the great requirements and changes it is undergoing, insures safety to both mother and child, and takes her through the event with comparative ease and comfort. This wonderful remedy is praised by every woman who has used it.

What woman is not interested in "Mother's Friend?" This wonderful remedy has been tested and its priceless value proven by the experience of thousands of happy mothers who have used it during the most critical period of woman's life—the approach and culmination of motherhood.

It has won their everlasting praise, for it gave them help and hope in their most trying hour and when most needed. Every woman may some day need "Mother's Friend." The little book, "Before Baby is Born," telling all about it, and when it should be used, will prove of great interest and benefit to all expectant mothers, and will be sent free to any address upon application to the Bradfield Regulator Company, Atlanta, Ga.

**Is Baby Too Thin?**

If so, there must be some trouble with its food. Well babies are plump; only the sick are thin. Are you sure the food is all right? Children can't help but grow; they must grow if their food nourishes them. Perhaps a mistake was made in the past and as a result the digestion is weakened. If that is so, don't give the baby a lot of medicine; just use your every-day common sense and help nature a little, and the way to do it is to add half a teaspoonful of

**SCOTT'S EMULSION**

to the baby's food three or four times a day. The gain will begin the very first day you give it. It seems to correct the digestion and gets the baby started right again. If the baby is nursing but does not thrive, then the mother should take the emulsion. It will have a good effect both upon the mother and child. Twenty-five years proves this fact.

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### Revenue Seizure.

Deputy Collector Sutton Friday seized the Government distillery of George M. Taylor, at Hope Mills, for alleged irregularities, taking six barrels of spirits, copper still and fixtures.

**A Bad Loss.**

A few days ago, our venerable friend Mr. Geo. W. Burns, of Chatham, father of our townswoman, Mrs. Lineberry, lost by fire, his barns and stables, with a quantity of forage, several horses and a number of cattle.

### Prof Alex. Graham.

The Raleigh News and Observer of Friday morning had the following to say of our former townsman:

The address of Prof. Alexander Graham at the laying of the corner stone of the new school building in Charlotte, is a model. He is one of the State's best men, and one of the brightest and readiest.

**A Thousand Tongues**

Could not express the rapture of Annie E. Springer, of 1125 Howard St., Philadelphia, Pa., when she found that Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption had completely cured her of a hacking cough that for many years had made life a burden. All other remedies and doctors could give her no help, but she says of this Royal Cure—"it soon removed the pain in my chest and I can now sleep soundly, something I can scarcely remember doing before. I feel like sounding its praises throughout the Universe." So will every one who tries Dr. King's New Discovery for any trouble of the Throat, Chest or Lungs. Price 50c. and $1.00. Trial bottles free at B. E. Sedberry & Son's Drug Store; every bottle guaranteed.

EDITOR'S AWFUL PLIGHT.

F. M. Higgins, Editor Seneca, (Ills.,) News, was afflicted for years with Piles that no doctor or remedy helped until he tried Bucklen's Arnica Salve. He writes two boxes wholly cured him. It's the surest Pile cure on earth and the best salve in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25 cents. Sold by B. E. Sedberry & Sons, druggists.

Rev. W. E. Sitzer, W. Caton, N. Y., writer, "I had dyspepsia over twenty years, and tried doctors and medicines without benefit. I was persuaded to use Kodol Dyspepsia Cure and it helped me from the start, I believe it to be a panacea for all forms of indigestion." It digests what you eat. King Bros.

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FOR PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

IN 1900.

**WILLIAM J. BRYAN.**

**"Where the gold Democrats are numerically weak they will profess to accept the platform, but will oppose every plan that is calculated to bring success to the platform."**
**—William J. Bryan to National Committeeman C. S. Thomas, of Colorado.**

*THE SITUATION IN SOUTH AFRICA.*

General Roberts, who seems to be a good deal of a statesman as well as soldier, is apparently succeeding with his scheme for alienating a large part of the Orange Free State population from the Transvaal. If his success should be complete, so that the Free State as a political entity abandon its alliance with Kruger, the prediction which is made in some optimistic quarters that the war will be over by the middle of May, may prove true. 2,500 small arms were surrendered on the day the last dispatches were sent, and about 1,000 men in arms surrendered at another point. At this rate, the Free State contingent in the Boer armies would soon be wiped out. The surrender of arms is accompanied by a pledge, under oath, to neither take up arms against the British again nor give aid or comfort to their enemies.

On the other hand, military experts in England are inclined to think the indications point to a tremendous resistance by Kruger's faithful burghers when Roberts's armies enter the Transvaal, for there the nature of the country, like that which so long nonplussed Buller in Natal, is favorable to the Boer defensive tactics. The extraordinary skill with which the Boers have been able to carry off nearly all their heavy artillery, as well as the field pieces, is remarked upon, and it is pointed out that their carefulness in this respect foreshadows the intention to prolong their resistance.

The result of the correspondence between the United States and the British foreign office on the subject of intervention is said to have ended the talk of European interference, and it is surmised by some shrewd observers that the incident was the result of an understanding between our Anglomaniac administration and the British Premier having in view the very result which has been achieved.

*RACIAL DIFFERENCES.*

We have frequently had occasion, of late, to refer to the revenges which the whirligig of time is bringing to the South. One of the important things which may be said to be in sight is free trade, and this will necessarily be accompanied by a Democratic, if not a Southern measure, an income tax. After awhile, the free coinage of silver at 16 to 1 will also come, as the immensely expanding trade of the world, knit almost into one community, shall require all the basic money possible on which to float its commensurate need of credit money.

But the thing which has already arrived is the complete recognition, by every person at the North who aspires to be known as a statesman, of the old-time Southern doctrine of ineradicable racial differences. The American "statesmen" and soldiers who have come in contact with, or who have intelligently studied, the dark races whom we have lately been taking under the American flag, make no bones of bluntly assuming that they are incapable of self-government. We think they go too far in this: they should content themselves with drawing the line against the dark races' participating in a government to which the Anglo-Saxon is also subject, as in the Southern States, or in the case of the Philippines. But that would not serve their purpose, which is imperialism.

The latest phase of this subject is the remarkable conversion (we suppose it must be) of Mr. Moody, a representative in Congress from Massachusetts, who even draws the line against the Latin races. He is reported as saying:

"It is a rather novel situation that with all the noise made about Puerto Rico so little has ever been said about Alaska. The population of Alaska comes almost entirely from the United States, while the Puerto Ricans are aliens in race, blood and speech. Puerto Rico has been ours for several months and we are now in the throes of agitation over the method of securing education for her children, and yet, although Alaska has been a territory for years, we have never built a schoolhouse there. Not only have we not appropriated money for Alaska and have shamefully neglected it all these years, but we have prevented the people from taxing themselves. We have given them no education, we have given them no laws.

"The inherent difference between the Anglo-Saxon ond the Spanish races cannot be better exemplified than in the contrast between Puerto Rico and Alaska. We are enabled to govern ourselves because of centuries of self-government. It is an instinct which descends to us as an inheritance from our ancestors. The capacity of self-government was so highly developed in our forefathers that in four months they constructed a Constitution which has stood for more than 100 years. It was not the inspiration of a moment, nor a revelation from a Divine source, but was the product of generations of thought on the subject of freedom and self-government coupled with experience of the same.

"Consequently, although we made no provision for the government of the people of Alaska, they proceeded to form their own municipal governments. In the absence of law they created their own municipalities, elected their officers and acknowledged their authority, levied their taxes and paid for their improvements. It was government by common consent, but quite strong enough to guarantee the preservation of law and order. With no legislature, no judges, practically no law, they have made no complaint, but have conducted themselves in a manner to command the admiration of the country."

The world is moving very rapidly now.

*THE REPUBLICANS AND THE TRUSTS.*

The proposition to enlarge the powers of the Federal government by a Constitutional Amendment so as to give Congress control of corporations and thus of the Trusts, seems to be a dodge on the part of the republicans. It is said that they may incorporate such a plank in the platform to be adopted at the Philadelphia national convention. The people would hardly be fooled by such a device. Besides the well-known fact that it is almost impossible to pass a Constitutional amendment of any kind, there would be, in this case, the additional obstacle that the States, whose consent is necessary, would resent such an encroachment upon their own prerogatives. If the republicans were in earnest they would enlarge the powers of the Interstate Commerce commission, and abolish the protective tariff on the articles dealt in by the trusts. That much can be done by Congress, and at once.

*COLONEL CUNINGHAM'S WITHDRAWAL.*

That is a handsome and deserved tribute which our Raleigh correspondent pays to Colonel John S. Cuningham, who had proved himself Mr. Aycock's chief competitor for the gubernatorial nomination and yet has so gracefully withdrawn from the race in the interest of harmony—harmony that is so essential to the success of the constitutional amendment, the chief issue in the campaign.

Those who know Colonel Cuningham are aware that the encomiums which are being showered upon him for his present patriotic act are but tributes to one whose life is attuned to the impulses of civic duty. He had a large and powerful following in the present amicable contest, and it was destined to disclose itself more and more; but it was quite likely that the closer the race became the more feeling would be developed, and it is the possibility of this which Colonel Cuningham's act has removed in the interest of the Democratic party. It is hardly to be doubted that it will be remembered four years hence.

**Trade As a Reason For War.**

At the Democratic State convention in Lincoln, Nebraska, on Monday, the Chicago platform was endorsed "in whole and in part, in letter and in spirit," and strong planks were added on the subject of trusts and imperialism. Mr. Bryan made a notable speech before the convention on the leading issues of the day, at the end of which he devoted some time to a discussion of the soldid trade argument for holding the Philippines. He quoted a letter written by Benjamin Franklin to Lord Howe in June, 1776. He read an extract from it as follows:

"The well-founded esteem and the affection which I shall always have for your lordship make it painful to me to see you engaged in conducting a war, the great ground of which (as described in your letter) is the necessity for preventing the American trade from passing into foreign channels. To me it seems that neither the obtaining or retaining of any trade, how valuable so ever, is an object for which men may justly spill each other's blood; that the true and sure means of extending and securing commerce are the goodness and cheapness of commodities, and that the profits of no trade can ever be equal to the expense of compelling it and holding it by fleets and arms. I consider this war against us, therefore, as both unjust and unwise, and I am persuaded that cool and dispassionate posterity will condemn to infamy those who advise it; and even that success will not save from some degree of dishonor those who have voluntarily engaged to conduct it."

Mr. Bryan commented upon this letter and said that imperialism had its inspiration in the desire of the syndicates to extend their commerce by conquest. He said he was willing to indorse the language of Franklin and say that "Cool and dispassionate posterity will condemn to infamy those who advised it."

LINCOLN'S LETTER OF SYMPATHY.

He also read a letter written by Abraham Lincoln, November 21, 1864, to Mrs. Bixby, of Boston, a mother who had lost five sons in the Civil War. The following is an extract from the letter:

I feel how weak and fruitless must be any words of mine which should attempt to beguile you from the grief of a loss so overwhelming, but I cannot refrain from tendering to you the consolation that may be found in the thanks of the republic they died to save. I pray that our Heavenly Father may assauge the anguish of your bereavement and leave you only the cherished memory of the loved and the lost and the solemn pride that must have been yours to have laid so costly a sacrifice upon the altar of freedom.

Mr. Bryan said that the English language contained no more beautiful expression of sympathy. He contrasted it with the sordid assurances of those who say that the trade to be secured will be worth the blood that is spent for it and asked why the people who wanted the trade did not purchase it with their own blood instead of the blood of other people's sons.

**Olga Will Have a Jury Trial.**

By telegraph to the Observer.

New York, March 20.—Abe Hummell, counsel for Olga Nethersole, the actress, reported to-day that he had received a telegram from Judge Furman announcing that he had decided favorably his application for a jury trial in the Sappho case.

## RALEIGH LETTER.

**CUNINGHAM WITHDRAWS.**

**Patriotic Action of the Man Who Loves His Party and Places Its Interests Above Personal Ambition.**

**Still Stood a Chance of Being Nominated, but Believes Nomination of Aycock by Acclamation Will Enthuse the Party and Materially Contribute to Democratic Success---Our Correspondent Talks With Col. Cuningham---What He Said---The State Will Not Forget His Unselfish Action---The Zeb Vance Statue at Raleigh---Numerous Newsy Notes of General Interest.**

From Our Regular Correspondent.

RALEIGH, N. C., March 20.

Now let's nominate Aycock with a whoop, and by acclamation!

Col. John S. Cuningham, Mr. Aycock's chief competitor, has withdrawn from the contest for Governor, and on Sunday last his letter of withdrawal was made public.

This action was a surprise to many who were aware of the fact that Col. Cuningham still stood at least a "fighting chance" of securing the nomination, while not a few claimed, even as late as today, that they believed that if he had remained in the field it was by no means improbable that he might have proved to be the strongest man in the convention.

But those who know the man intimately, and are aware of his love of his party and his people, those acquainted with his unselfish patriotism and the zeal with which he is working for the adoption of the Amendment, whereby White Supremacy can be secured for all time in North Carolina, are not surprised at the patriotic stand he has taken.

PARTY SUCCESS MORE IMPORTANT THAN SELFISH AMBITION.

It was this very possibility of his still having a "fighting chance" in the convention that figured largely in his decision—he wanted no *fight* in the convention.

He came to the conclusion that the best interests of the party would be subserved, and the chances of the Amendment materially strengthened, if the action of the convention was unanimous and wholly enthusiastic in the selection of the head of the ticket. Therefore, Col. Cuningham, decided to sacrifice self and personal ambition for the party's good. I know this, because the conclusion is forced upon me by a conversation I had with him last week, and I know the people of North Carolina well enough to say that they will thoroughly appreciate his unselfish action and will not fail to remember it with admiration in the future.

"God bless John Cuningham I say!" was a comment which all good Democrats can endorse.

A WORD OF WELL DESERVED PRAISE.

And now, in disposing of this matter, I think it entirely proper to use the following comment of a personal and political friend of Col. Cuningham—a man who knows and has long known him well. Said he:

"I am not surprised at Col. Cuningham's withdrawal, even in the face of the possible if not probable success of his former candidacy.

"John Cuningham is a patriot (and I use that much abused word advisedly) and he takes this step, I know, purely for the good of his party and his State.

"As president of the State Fair, as legislator, as president of the Board of Agriculture, in all his public and private relations of life he has proved his patriotism, demonstrated his uncommon ability and convinced all of his intense love of his State and people.

"He is and has long been (though still a young man) very close to the people whom he loves so dearly and whom he has served so well and faithfully—and who, I may add, will again call upon him to serve them, I am sure.

"The farmers, business men and a large percentage of all the classes of people would have been delighted to have had the opportunity of elevating him to the gubernatorial chair. Now, they will take his advice and faithfully and industriously go to work to elect Mr. Aycock.

"We know we will find him, on the stump and through other methods, working hard for the White Supremacy amendment, and his influence will be no small factor in accomplishing a great and glorious victory for the white people of the State next August."

WHAT GEN. COX SAID.

Gen. Wm. R. Cox, who was a judge of the Superior Court for years, who represented the fourth district in Congress for two terms, and who has held the important position of Secretary of the U. S. Senate for the last eight years, spent several days in Raleigh during the past week. Gen. Cox was en route to his large plantation in Edgecombe county, where he will spend most of his time hereafter, having retired from the position he held in Washington.

In alluding to the coming campaign and the candidates for positions on the Democratic State ticket, Gen. Cox, who is a veteran party leader (once chairman of the State committee) and a most excellent judge of public men and their fitness for public office and popularity with the masses, made several striking observations, which are deserving of more than passing notice, coming from such a source.

Speaking of the Gubernatorial nomination, he used these words, in an interview printed in the Durham *Herald* and also the Raleigh *Times Visitor*, last week: "The claims of Col. John S. Cuningham, I no dot hesitate to say, are of such a nature as to give him a very large following, apart from his personal friends, and I regard his chances of nomination as being as good as those of any aspirant whose name will be presented to the convention."

A prominent Democrat here who heard these words quoted added this statement:

"I can say this, too, of Col. Cuningham. Although he has made no grand stand plays along that line, he has been a ceaseless and untiring worker for his State and his party ever since he has been old enough to work. He has always contributed liberally of his means to aid the success of his party, and has been universally successful in all his fights with the political enemy."

THE ZEB VANCE MONUMENT.

The large model (larger than life size) of the Senator Zebulon Baird Vance statue, from which the bronze statue itself is to be molded, and which latter is to be placed in the Capitol Park, on the east side of the capitol building, has been completed, and last week the committee went to Washington, where the sculptor performing the work resides, to inspect it.

This committee includes Hon. Richard H. Battle of Raleigh (who was the private secretary of the great North Carolinian during his first term as Governor—during the civil war), J. G. Brown, J. D. Boushall, R. H. Speight, et al, the latter of the Legislature committee.

I have seen this model and it can be truthfully said that it is a splendid counterfeit of the great man it is intended to assist in perpetuating in the the memory of his people—a people who loved him better and more universally than any man ever born within the borders of our State.

The cast of the statue and the monument proper are to be executed yet, and there is other work to be done which will necessarily make it impracticable to place it in position for some little time yet. The date of the "unveiling" has therefore not been definitely fixed, yet. Many suggest that May 20 should be selected—for reasons obvious to every intelligent and patriotic North Carolinian, but it cannot be unveiled before July 4, at least.

More will be said in these letters on this subject when the information desired can be obtained from the proper sources.

ANOTHER "BANISHED" NEGRO.

An obnoxious negro "preacher" named Scott, whose home was formerly at Henderson, doesn't reside there any more. Some time ago he went North on a visit, and while there took a "prominent part" at a "Mamly meeting," which the banished, expatriated, kicked out (whichever you may prefer) ex-editor of Wilmington and his friends had gotten up a sort of protest against the impolite white people of that city. Learning of this some of the Henderson people sent him word that he could continue his visit indefinitely. He remained away until recently it is now learned, showing up in Henderson a few days ago. His sojourn was brief, however, as he was introduced to the exit back gate of the town and told to "git." He got.

NUMEROUS NEWS NOTES.

Oxford gets the new N. C. cotton mill. A company with a capital stock of $125,000 and J. G. Hall as president, was organized there within the past week. This makes the eighteenth new cottou mill in N. C. this year, so far.

Bob Fortune (what's in a name?) was hung last Friday at Nashville, Nash county, as was also John Taylor (both negroes) for the murder of a white farmer, Mr. Robert Hester, whom they waylaid, killed and robbed on the public road. They confessed.

Congresman Bellamy is notified that the rural free delivery postal service will soon be put in operation in several counties of his district (6th) including Union, New Hanover and Robeson or Scotland, may be both the two last named.

A. L. McCaskill is the new postmaster at Fayetteville, having been appointed last week. President McKinley's experience with negro postmasters in this State probably acted against the chances of the negro candidate on this occasion.

The decision has been reached to hold the next meeting of the N. C. Teachers' Association at Morehead. The old rate of the Atlantic hotel there of $1.00 a day, which was secured, figured largely in the decision. Other places were considered, but equal inducements (quality and volume of service considered) were not offered by the latter.

The negro supremacy advocates (or anti-amendment people, if that term suits you better) have secured a champion in Dr. D. A. Long of Alamance county—until recently a professor or president of a college in Ohio—the State where "mixed" colleges (such as those at Oberlin and elsewhere) flourish, while white and black young men and women are educated side by side, eating at the same table and bunking together in the dormitories. Naturally Dr. Long sees nothing distasteful (to him) in negro supremacy. But he should have remained in Ohio to enjoy it.

Evangelist J. W. Lee, of Greensboro, "the Irish Evangelist," whose escapades in Washington, D. C., have been widely ventilated of late, has written to the Greensboro church of which he was a member asking for a letter of "withdrawal" from that connection, etc. The matter has not yet been officially acted on.

Raleigh is, as I write, in the throes of a municipal primary to determine whether certain property owned by the municipality shall be sold. If sold the city will gain a splendid auditorium thereby, in which to hold future political conventions and other large meetings. The prospects are that the proposition will be carried.

A number of ladies in Raleigh have formed an organization, the object of which is to aid in disseminating Democratic literature during the coming campaign. They are, for the most part, the wives of prominent Democrats, and will take active steps to raise funds for the purpose indicated. One method adopted is the "endless-chain letter" system, and there is no doubt that they will be able to render valuable service to the party and in the interest of the Constitutional Amendment.

The State Sunday School Convention, in session at Charlotte last week, elected Hon. Benj. R. Lacy president for the ensuing term.

Information obtained from the Agricultural Department is to the effect that the sale of fertilizer tags indicates that a very large crop of cotton will be planted this year. It's a pity! LLEWXAM

*AN ILL WIND, &c.*

One of the happy outcomes of the war in South Africa is the changed feeling of the British towards the Irish. So universal and unhesitating is the recognition of the splendid services which the Irish contingent in Lord Robert's army has rendered, that even the shamrock, hitherto the badge of semi-disloyalty, is now the badge of honor. The Queen herself wears it, and the Irish troops in her service are hereafter to wear it. Now let England, at last, do complete justice to Ireland, by the concession of home rule, and the world will view the result in South Africa with less aversion.

A correspondent at Cape Town says:

On the initiative of Lord Roberts, a newspaper has been started at Bloemfontein for the troops. Rudyard Kipling contributed to the inaugural edition yesterday the following lines:

O Terence, dear, and did you hear
The news that's going round?
The shamrock's Erin's badge by law,
Where'er her sons are found,
From Bloemfontein to Bally Bank;
'Tis ordered by the Queen.
We've won our right in open fight—
The wearing of the green.

**Robbed the Grave.**

**A startling incident, of which Mr. John Oliver, of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised trying 'Electric Bitters;' and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they saved my life, and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cts. a bottle at B. E. Sedberry & Son's drug store.**

**Tributes to Dr. Kingsbury.**

Wilmington Messenger.

The Messenger fully appreciates and returns thanks to its contemporaries for the following kind words they have had to say about its editor, Dr. Kingsbury. The first knowledge to him of their publication will be when he looks over this issue of The Messenger, and he will be gratefully thankful for these expressions of praise and commendation:

We were gratified to read in yesterday's special from Lexington to The Observer, that in a paper read before the Sorosis, of that town, by Mrs. Rupert T. Pickens, upon "North Carolina's Literary Celebrities," she mentioned particularly Dr. T. B. Kingsbury—indeed, accordingto our reporter, in her mention of journalists she named no other. Mrs. Pickens' tribute to Dr. Kingsbury was just. He is far and away the most accomplished man on the state press. Liberally educated to begin with, he has ever since been a careful reader of the best books, and his opinion upon any effort in literature is worth more than that of any many in the state. As a co-worker with him in journalism, we beg leave to acknowledge, as he cannot, the compliment paid him by The Lexington Sorosis.—Charlotte Observer.

The foregoing are just and well deserved words, not of flattery, but of honest praise. We have never met the subject of them, but have followed his work for many years and ever with an increased interest and respect.

If he lived in Boston instead of North Carolina his name would be in the school books used by North Carolina children.

As it is, they do not know the state's best critic, reviewer and all-round man of letters.

He loves the old things better than the new, as is natural to his years, but, we think, as based on second reason, too. To him the politics of Macon and Badger surpasses in purity our present alignment as the Vicar of Wakefield overtops the work of Ouida.

He is devoted to Shakespeare and Scott. Before his vision ever flits the wonderful kaleidoscopic panorama of the great pan-Anglican king, while in his ears the bugles of the Glen Allan yeomanry sound as thrillingly as in those of the old earl himself.

He loves Dickens, and the beach offers to him Steerforth "lying with his head upon his arm as he used to lie at school," while Defarge knits beneath the gallows, which Sidney mounts to take the place of No. 23.

He loves to the uttermost our own favorite Thackeray, loveable to all southern men, and upon his sanctum floor he can conjure up the broken fragments of Esmond's blade after he has denied the Perjured Pretender.

He has vindicated the great claim of Poe to first place among cis-Atlantic poets, as he has vindicated Pettigrew's right to first place at Gettysburg, and with the same enthusiasm and accuracy of proof.

But we set not out to review the good points of the reviewer, but to say thank you to The Observer, ever keen to see merit at home, and susceptible to the impression that one may be dressed albeit not in clothes that came from the north.—Morganton Herald.

The Observer some days ago had an editorial paragraph which was a deserved testimonial to the gifts and accomplishments of Dr. T. B. Kingsbury, editor of The Wilmington Messenger. We recognized the deserts of its subject, else the paragraph would not have been written; but we are all the gladder for it, seeing that was the occasion of the above editorial about Dr. Kingsbury in The Morganton Herald of this week. It is not often that one sees handsomer sentiments, or generous sentiments more handsomely expressed.—Charlotte Observer March 3rd.


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**Twenty-Five Persons Drowned.**

By cable to the Observer.

Vienna, March 20.—Twenty-five persons were drowned to-day in crossing the Danube.


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**JESSUP SAYINGS.**

JESSUP, N. C., March 17, 1900.

Mr. John McPherson, of Gilbert, spent Tuesday and Wednesday visiting Mr. G. H. Lewis.

Mr. W. L. Blackman has gone to Whiteville as agent for the Queen Safe Company.

Mr. C. C. Underwood is visiting Mr. J. M. Cole.

Rev. C. H. Dobbs preached at Cedar Springs school house Sunday evening.

Miss Emma McRae is visiting Mrs. W. J. Underwood.

Stock law election held at Lemon Springs on Tuesday resulted in a tie, forty six being cast for and forty-six against. The matter has been referred to the county commissioners to await their action at the next regular meeting.

Mr. G. M. Lewis who has been at Charlotte for the past year returned to his home Monday.

Rev. Mr. Carter preached his farewell sermon at Ephesus Sunday. He goes to Sampson county to take charge of a country church.

Mr. J. M. Wadsworth, of Greenwood, spent Saturday and Sunday visiting Mr. W. J. Wadsworth.

Mr. Louis Lawhorn, of Eagle Springs, is visiting Mrs. Maggie Thomas, of Euphronia.

Mr. George Brady, of Glendon, has accepted a position at Allred's lumber yard.

Mr. John Boyt, of Sanford, and Miss Beulah Caviness of this place, were married at the residence of the bride's father Thursday, Justice Gorrie Jackson officiating. The happy couple left for the groom's home Friday.

Mr. Edward Caviness died at his home near Villanow Wednesday at the advanced age of 77. The interment took place at Centre cemetery Thursday.

DONTON.

**GILBERT ITEMS.**

GILBERT, N. C., March 17, 1900.

Miss Sarah Wadsworth, of Greenwood, is visiting Mrs. D. A. Caviness of this place.

The stock law election at Lemon Springs, Tuesday 13th, resulted in a tie.

Farmers are beginning to prepare land for planting.

The cold weather has damaged oats some, but wheat is looking well in this section.

Farmers are delighted at the advance in cotton.

Fayetteville Presbytery will meet at St. Andrews church, near this place, April 18th.

Mr. Ed. Caviness died near here at the residence of his son, Mr. Ben Caviness, March 14th.

Thieves entered the barn of Mr. E. B. Kelly, Monday night, March 12th, and carried off a quantity of Mr. Kelly's corn.

We regret to learn of the illness of Mrs. Flora Underwood.

Mrs. E. B. Kelly, whose illness was noted some time ago is improving.

Mr. C. A. Craven went to Jonesboro Thursday, March 15th, on business.

Miss Mary Eliza McPherson is visiting Miss Flora Ann Jackson.

ALBAN.

**Graded School Report.**

*To the Board of Trustees, Fayetteville Graded School:*

GENTLEMEN:—I beg leave to submit for consideration by you the following report of Fayetteville Graded School for the sixth month ending March 9th, 1900:

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| No. boys enrolled during month, | 134 |
| Number girls enrolled " " | 131 |
| Total enrollment " " | 265 |
| Average daily attendance..... | 213 |
| Per cent. of attendance..... | 86 |

ROLL OF HONOR.

Girls—Sadie Hall, Rena McLaurin, Sallie Dail, Lena Amos, Lillie K. Johnson, Pearle Humphrey, Emmie Black, Henrietta Evans, Ellen Hall, Florence Tomlins, Myrtle Folb, Marie Thornton, Eleanor Huske, Isabel Bidgood, Myra Byrne, Edna Duncan, Irene Humphrey, Barbary Humphrey, Fleetie Johnson, Alma Nolley, Josie Poe, Mary Black, Ellen Brandt, Berta Johnson, Nora McDuffie, Maggie Belle McDonald, Nannie Campbell.

Boys—Esker Amos, Isaac Murray, Raymond Maultsby, John Duncan McNeill, Oliver Humphrey, Archie McDuffie, Wallace Prior, James DaCosta Highsmith, Willie McLaurin, Iver McLaurin, Robeson, Henry L. Cook, Willie Adams, John Bynum, Walter Cook, Grady Crawford, Reid Crawford, James Tatum, Frank Evans, George Myrover, Claude Overby, Louis Fisher, Paul Stewart, Willie Campbell, Marion Huske, George Johnson, Emmett Nolley, James Maultsby, George Cross.

Respectfully,
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**INDULGENT MOTHERS**

Many a young girl's beauty is wasted by unnecessary pain at time of menstruation, and many indulgent mothers with mistaken kindness permit their daughters to grow careless about physical health.

MISS CARRIE M. LAMB, Big Beaver, Mich., writes: "DEAR MRS. PINKHAM—A year ago I suffered from profuse and irregular menstruation and leucorrhœa. My appetite was variable, stomach sour and bowels were not regular, and was subject to pains like colic during menstruation. I wrote you and began to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and used two packages of Sanative Wash. You can't imagine my relief. My courses are natural and general health improved."

MRS. NANNIE ADKINS, La Due, Mo., writes:

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**The Vance Monument.**

Washington correspondence Charlotte News.

A special committee has arrived in Washington, representing the North Carolina Legislature. The law-makers arrived yesterday morning on the Norfolk steamboat, reaching the city about 8 o'clock, after a rough voyage. They are in the city for the purpose of inspecting the Vance monument, which is to be unveiled at Raleigh at some future date, to be selected by the committee after consultation with the sculptor, Mr. Henry J. Ellicott. Those who have seen the work of Mr. Ellicott, pronounce it in every way satisfactory, and to be a perfect likeness of the great North Carolina statesman. Many Senators and Representatives in Congress, friends of the Senator, have seen the model, and they are all of the opinion that the work will prove satisfactory to the North Carolina Legislature. Mrs. Vance herself, who is in the city, was at the studio of Sculptor Ellicott for two hours on Thursday, and viewed the model critically. She was very well satisfied with the work and pronounced it perfect in every detail. The statue will be placed about twenty-five feet from the eastern entrance of the Capitol Square in Raleigh, and will face Newbern avenue. This site has been decided upon, it is said, by the committee in charge of the matter.

The date of the unveiling cannot yet be stated. It will be decided by the special committee in charge, and will depend upon the convenience of the sculptor who has the contract for the statue, and in whose studio the special committee examined the model yesterday.

THE VANCE UNVEILING.

Since the article on this subject printed above the committee have returned from Washington. The Raleigh papers say that the monument will probably be unveiled July 4th. It was the intention to unveil the monument on the 20th of May, but the committee, on its visit to Washington, found this plan impossible.

Mr. Boushall said the model was a great deal better than the committee had conceived. It was natural and full of life and vigor and was a splendid likeness of Governor Vance. Mr. R. H. Battle, who was Governor Vance's private secretary, and knew him as well as any man in North Carolina, was charmed with the work. It was a speaking likeness of Vace, he said, and the committee was very much pleased. Mr. Brown stated that the model was very much better than the miniature the artist worked by.

Artist Ellicott informed the committee that he would require three weeks yet to complete the cast. Then it will be sent to Gorham & Co., of New York, to be cast in bronze. This will require two months more, and this precludes the possibility of unveiling the monument on May 20th. The foundry of Gorham & Co. is in Rhode Island, and the statue will be cast there. This heroic statue of Governor Vance will be eight feet in height and the pedestal, which is to be of North Carolina granite, will be ten feet high.

The committee will be called upon to inspect and approve the statue for the last time before it is finally completed. The statue when finished will cost $7,000. Messrs. Cooper Bros., of Raleigh, have begun work on the granite pedestal.

**Death of Mrs. Mary Rush Parker.**

Many friends in Fayetteville will learn with sorrow of the death of Mrs. Mary E. Parker, youngest daughter of the late Capt. Benj. Rush, of this city, which occurred in Wilmington Friday.

The Star in announcing the sad accurrence says:

Mrs. Parker had been in ill health for a week or ten days but not until last Sunday was her condition considered serious. She rapidly grew worse and Rev. Dr. E. A. Yates, her former pastor, was summoned to Wilmington from his home in Durham. He was at her bedside when she died yesterday morning in the triumph of a Christian faith, and will conduct the funeral services this afternoon, which will be from Grace M. E. Church at four o'clock.

Mrs. Parker died of Bright's disease. She was a daughter of the late lamented Capt. Benjamin Rush, of Fayetteville, and her husband, who died several years ago, while attending conference at Fayetteville, was a member of the well known hardware firm of Parker & Taylor. Mrs. W. E. Springer is the only member of the immediate family surviving the deceased, and to her is extended the sincerest sympathy of a wide circle of friends in the irreparable loss which she has sustained.


To secure the original witch hazel salve, ask for DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, well known as a certain cure for piles and skin diseases. Beware of worthless counterfeits. They are dangerous. King Bros.


**Trinity College Notes.**

The Current Topics Club held its regular meeting Saturday evening. The subject discussed was the war in South Africa. Mr S A. Stewart gave the Boer side and Mr. J. M. Flowers the English side. Both sides of the question were well presented and the meeting was a very interesting one.

Series IV of the Annual Publication of Historical Papers of the Trinity College Historical Society is just out. It contains seven papers, as follows: North Carolina Methodism and Slavery, by J. S. Bassett; Court Systems in North Carolina before the Revolution, by S A. Stewart; William H. Branson, by Dr. J. C Kilgo; A Saner Citizenship, by Judge Henry G. Conner; The Congressional Career of Thomas L. Clingman, by J. S. Bassett; DeGraffenreid and the Swiss and Palatine Settlement near New Bern, N. C, by L. L Hendren; Nathaniel Macon in National Legislation, by W. K. Boyd. The publication makes a creditable pamphlet of 91 pages. It can be had of the Librarian of Trinity College for 50 cents.

The Science Club will hold its regular meeting Saturday evening. The subjects discussed will be, "The Germ Theory of Disease," by Dr. J. I. Hamaker; "The Transmission of Power," by L. L. Hendren, of the Senior Class; "The action of Stray Currents," by Mr. J J. Tyer.

The Executive Committee of the Alumni Association held a meeting Thursday afternoon for the transaction of some business for the Alumni. Several questions of interest were discussed.

**The Firemen's Tournament.**

At a meeting in Wilmington last week it was decided to hold the Firemen's Tournament, which is to be held in that city, about the middle of July. Speaking of the meeting the Messenger of Thursday morning says:

Captain James D. McNeill, of Fayetteville, president of the State Firemen's Association, was present, and spoke of the great benefit which the convention will be to this city and referred to the successful and enjoyable meetings which have been held in Fayetteville, Greensboro and other cities. He says the firemen through out the State are glad of the opportunity to visit Wilmington and a large per centage of them will take advantage of it. Talks were also made by Messrs. S. H. Fishblate and R. W. Wallace.

**All Fayetteville Will Join In.**

In speaking of the change about to take place in the Fayetteville postoffice the correspondent here of the Wilmington Messenger says:

Mr. W. D. Gaster, the democratic postmaster, will go out of office with the hearty commendation of "well done" for his faithful labors, and The Messenger will gladly spare a line for an especially complimentary "send off" of the general delivery clerk, Miss Katie Gaster, whose future happiness is matter for the earnest prayer of the whole community.


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Door-keeper Ga. State Senate,
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Mrs. L. R. Dye arrived from the northern markets yesterday afternoon.

**A Branch to Chalk Level.**

The Cape Fear & Northern railroad management contemplates building a branch line from Duketon to Chalk Level.

**Married.**

In this city, Sunday evening, by J. T. McKay, Esq., Mr. William Turlington to Miss Amanda J. Wheeler, all of Cross Creek.

**Blue's Road Branching Out.**

Blue's Road from Aberdeen is now graded to Richardson's Mill, situated in the Davis timber, and is being surveyed from there to Galatia. Mr. Blue has about thirty miles of road in operation, and the above extensions when completed will add over ten more.

**Baptist Church Calls a Pastor.**

At a congregational meeting Sunday morning, the First Baptist Church extended a call to Rev. J. S. Porter, formerly the pastor of the Baptist Church at Morganton, N. C.

Mr. Porter preached here recently and the congregation was so well pleased with him that this action has been virtually assured since then.

**Mr. Martin Shows Faith in Fayetteville.**

Mr. W. W. Martin, reckoned to be a man of fine business judgment, evidently has as great faith in Fayetteville's future as our own citizens have. Recently we recorded the fact of his purchase of several valuable pieces of real estate, and on yesterday he purchased from the Beaver Creek and Bluff Mills Company what is known as the "Thornton Row" of houses on Maiden Lane, comprising six valuable residences, with large lots attached.

**The Big Suit Against The A. C. L. Settled.**

Mr. Geo. M. Rose, attorney for the A. C. L, returned Saturday from Lumberton, where he had been to settle the suit against John Gill, Receiver, for the killing of Mrs. S. R. Tolar at Red Springs in August, 1897. We understand that a settlement satisfactory to both parties was effected. It will be remembered that during the Baptist Chautauqua Mrs. Tolar and her child were crossing the trestle just this side of the big tabernacle when they were overtaken by the south-bound passenger train and instantly killed, their bodies being horribly mangled.

**The State Sunday School Convention.**

The State Sunday School Convention, which met in Charlotte and to which our townsman, Capt. R. A. Southerland, was a delegate, elected the following officers for the ensuing year:

President, B. R. Lacy, of Raleigh; Vice-president, Charles Ross, of Asheboro; Recording Secretary, R. N. Simms, of Raleigh; Treasurer, J. H. Southgate, of Durham; Statistical Secretary, H. N. Snow, of Durham. An executive committee of fifteen was appointed with N. B. Broughton, of Raleigh, as Chairman. This committee will select the time of the next meeting, which will take place at High Point.

**An Extraordinary Accident.**

Mr. William M. Hamer, of Dillon, S. C., met with an extraordinary and very serious accident at the Holt-Williamson cotton mill Tuseday afternoon. Mr. Hamer was passing through the city on his way to New York to purchase machinery for the new cotton mill at Dillon, in which he is largely interested, and having a few hours to spare, in company with his kinsman, Dr. E. Floyd, he went to inspect the Holt-Williamson mill. Mr. E. H. Williamson courteously took them in charge and was in the act of describing the machinery in the carding room when a buckle flew off of a belt and struck Mr. Hamer in the head just over the ear with violent force, knocking him senseless, and inflicting a severe wound. Medical aid was summoned, and he was at once removed to Dr. Floyd's residence on Hay street. It is impossible as yet to distinguish the extent of the injury, but it is thought that, in deference to the members of the family and his father, who arrived here yesterday, that he would be able to bear the journey home in the afternoon.

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**Col. Elam's Successor.**

Mr. Chas. P. Sapp, who has been on the staff of the Raleigh News and Observer for nearly two years, has resigned to succeed the late William C. Elam on the editorial staff of the Norfolk Virginian-Pilot. Mr. Sapp is a writer of ability and is a journalist of marked ability.

**Mr. Steven G. Worth Here.**

Mr. Steven G. Worth, of the United States Fish Commission, is here on a visit to his sister, Mrs. N. A. Sinclair. It has been several years since Mr. Worth has visited his old home, and he is receiving a warm welcome by his many friends.

Mr. Worth is now in charge of the United States Fish Commission Station at Edenton, which was established there in July, and which is the first to be established in this State. This immediate station is for the purpose of hatching black bass and stocking the Albemarle waters with them.

**Firemen's Tournament July 10-13**

At a conference of the executive committee and President McNeill of the State Firemen's Association, held in Wilmington Monday night, it was decided to hold the State annual convention and tournament in Wilmington, July 10 to 13. It was decided to add an interesting feature to the tournament in that the departments of Virginia, South Carolina and Georgia will be invited to attend with apparatuses and compete for prizes. The city will make elaborate arrangements for the entertainment of the firemen and visitors and will make it a sort of a gala week affair.

The Wilmington Messenger of Tuesday morning says:

Captain McNeill said last night that there are fifty-one companies in the State and from 1,200 to 1,500 firemen can be expected to attend. It is reasonably certain, too, that 400 or 500 firemen from adjacent States will attend. He is sure that the tournament will attract thousands of visitors other than firemen to the city, it being safe to estimate that from 8 000 to 10,000 people will visit the city while the tournament is in progress.

**St. Patrick's Day.**

England is not alone in honoring the Irish to-day, for her descendants in Fayetteville are paying tribute to the Emerald Isle, even in greater measure than heretofore. Saturday was St. Patrick's Day, and was commemorated, because, on the 17th day of March, 469, Ireland's Patron Saint of that name died.

Tradition calls for three Patricks, Succat Patrick, Pattrick Palladius, and Senn Patrick. The better authorities agree that Succat was the Saint Patrick who christianized Ireland.

Other accounts ascribe the birth-place of St. Patrick to Gaul (France), to Cornwall, to Wales, to Ireland itself, and so on. The best authorities say that he was born in the province of Valencia, which was the territory comprised between the walls of Antoninus and of Severus in the southern part of Scotland. He was of noble Roman ancestry, as his name (Patricius) would indicate. He was the son of the deacon (magistrate) Calpurnius, who was the son of Potitus, a priest. When he was about 15 years of age, and in the year 411, he was carried off, with a number of his neighbors, by the Scots and Picts, who made then one of their incursions into Valencia, and sold as a slave on the opposite coast of Ireland. Here he remained in hard slavery, tending cattle, for six years, when he made his escape. After his escape, he conceived the idea of devoting himself to the conversion of the Irish to christianity, and prepared himself for the priesthood at *Candida Casa*, St. Ninian's monastery in Britain.

He was probably 30 years of age, that is, it was in the year 425, when he returned to Ireland as a priest and began his mission. He was made a bishop in 441, and from that year to his death, in 469, he preached and administered his sacred office throughout Ireland. He found there three millions of pagans, and left them, at the end of his 44 years of work, christianized if not christians.

**A. L. McCaskill Confirmed.**

The appointment of Mr. A. L. McCaskill to be postmaster at Fayetteville was confirmed by the Senate yesterday. Mr. McCaskill will probably take charge by the first of next month. It is said that he will appoint Mr. Jno. B. Musselwhite, of Hope Mills, assistant postmaster and Miss Alice Matthews, of this city, delivery clerk. The announcement of Miss Matthews' appointment will be a welcome one to our citizens, for if Miss Katie Gaster has to be succeeded, we know of no more charming or worthy successor.

**Runaway Accident—Mr. Chas. Ingold Badly Hurt.**

Mr. Chas. Ingold was badly hurt at the A. C. L. depot about 3 o'clock yesterday. He was driving a baggage wagon to which were attached Mr. Geo. Burns's two spirited bays, when the animals became frightened at a passing train, and sprang off in a mad run. They hurled the wagon against the iron railing which encloses the grass plot just this side of the depot, and Mr. Ingold was pitched on the railing head foremost. When picked up he was unconscious, but a physician was quickly at hand and he was soon sufficiently recovered to be removed home in a conscious condition. He was resting easy at last accounts, though the extent of his injuries have not been fully ascertained.

Meantime the horses had broken away from the wagon and tore down Hay street at a terrific rate, ending their wild career at the stable, however, without doing further damage.

We have saved many doctor bills since we began using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in our home. We keep a bottle open all the time and when ever any of my family or myself begin to catch cold we begin to use the Cough Remedy, and as a result we never have to send away for a doctor and incur a large doctor bill, for Chamberlain's Cough Remedy never fails to cure. It is certainly a medicine of great merit and worth.—D. S. MEARKLE, General Merchant and Farmer, Mattie, Bedford county, Pa. For sale by B. E. Sedberry & Sons.

**Seventy-First Locals.**

SEVENTY-FIRST, March 19, 1900.

The railroad which we have written about, talked about, thought and possibly dreamed about, is at last a reality, and "Seventy First's railroad" has actually materialized. Mr. John Blue's road is now completed to the lumber plant of Messrs. Britton & Johnson in southeastern 71st, and Mr. Deaton began a survey on last Tuesday of more road, with Galatia as the next objective point. It is again strongly rumored that the road from Aberdeen to Fayetteville, through northern 71st, will be built, but of that there is no certainty.

Miss Maggie Currie is visiting friends at Lumber Bridge.

Miss Helen Townsend's school closed two weeks ago.

Mrs. Neill D. McLauchlin has recently removed to Raeford. By the way, we presume that the Raeford paper—of which we are not so fortunate as to know the name—now records all the news of that rising place, as none seems to have reached the OBSERVER lately.

Mrs. Fleming G. Bailey, in the article reproduced by the OBSERVER from the Atlanta Journal, says that she has never seen any name attached to the poem beginning "Life, we have been long together," etc. This writer once had a hobby of writing down in a book kept for the purpose, any quotation that was beautiful or striking. Among that collection there is the gem referred to, and it is accredited to Mrs. Barbauld. We do not know who Mrs. Barbauld was, or whether this one poem is all or only one of her writing. Any additional light on the subject will be very welcome.

SCOTCH LASSIE.

**Senatorial Primaries.**

Raleigh News and Observer.

The Cumberland county Democrats passed a model resolution with reference to the proposition to hold a senatorial primary to determine who shall be United States Senator for the term beginning the fourth of March next. It is in these words:

"*Resolved*, That the delegates sent by this convention to the State Convention be, and they are hereby instructed to vote for and do all in their power to secure the passage of an instruction to the Executive Committee to hold a primary election for the choice of the Democratic nominee for United States Senator for the term beginning in 1901; that said primary be held on the national election day in November next; and that those who, that day, vote the Democratic ticket be entitled to vote in said primary."

This resolution was unanimously adopted, and it would be the best thing that could happen for Democratic success and Democratic harmony if every county in the State would pass a similar resolution, and that the State Convention would provide a senatorial primary throughout the entire State to be held at the November election,

**Supreme Court Upholds Texas Anti-Trust Law.**

By telegraph to the Observer.

Washington, March 19.—The Supreme Court, in the case of the Waters Piers Oil Company, against the State of Texas today in a limited way upholds the Texas anti trust law. In the opinion of lawyers it does not touch the constitutional questions involved.

**The German Quarrelsome.**

By cable to the Observer.

Cape Town, March 19.—Owing to the quarrelsomness of Colonel Schiel, the German officer in charge of the Boer artillry, who was wounded and taken prisoner at Elendslaagte he has been removed from the prisoners camp to a transport.

**Extraordinary Happening.**

By telegraph to the Observer.

Franklin, Penn., March 19.—The Western Union wires were crossed in an extraordinary manner north of this place Sunday. A lineman sent out to relieve the trouble handed in a report that he found wires Nos. 8, 19 and 21 were crossed by a dead calf. The report is literally true. Half the calf was tangled up in the wires, causing the cross, while the balance of the calf was on the ground. How the calf got among the wires is a mystery, but it is supposed that it was thrown there by a locomotive.

**Germany Will Not Intervene.**

By cable to the Observer.

Berlin, March 19.—The foreign office positively declares the statement untrue that Germany and the United States will continue the peace negotiations between England and South Africa. The foreign office considers Salisbury's reply to the peace telegrams of Kruger and Steyn also an answer to all powers endeavoring to intervene.

**The Accused Kentucky Republicans.**

By telegraph to the Observer.

Louisville, March 19.—Messrs. Powers, Davis, Hazelip and Culton will not have an examination to-day as promised by Judge Moore. When the prisoners were arraigned the prosecution asked for a continuance till Thursday on the ground that many witnesses cannot be present till then. The Republicans to-day started a secret organization to defend by all legal means, and then by force if necessary, the accused Republicans. They have taken an oath pledging their property and lives.

**The Smallpox at Yale.**

By telegraph to the Observer.

New Haven, March 19.—A talk with Yale authorities indicate that the grounds for the smallpox scare are greatly exaggerated. The case of Baily of Middletown, is now pronounced measles by Dr. Potter, the attending physician. The case in Wall Street is also pronounced measles. President Hadley told the students this morning that the community was unduly excited, but recommended them to be vaccinated. The regular exercises of the University will not be suspended.

**Free to Inventors.**

The experience of C. A. Snow & Co. in obtaining more than 20,000 patents for inventors has enabled them to helpfully answer many questions relating to the protection of intellectual property. This they have done in a pamphlet treating briefly of United States and foreign patents with cost of same, and how to procure them; trade marks, designs, caveats, infringements, decisions in leading patent cases, etc., etc.

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**Our Governor of Guam in Trouble.**

By telegraph to the Observer.

Washington, March 20.—Captain Leary, U. S. Navy, will probably be relieved of his duties as Governor of Guam. His orders have caused offense. He explains that the order prohibiting the ringing of church bells was on account of seventeen cases of typhoid fever at the American Marine garrison. He has been instructed to amend the order abolishing the custom of suspending all labor during the church feast days. The Governor's order abolishing slavery in Guam is approved.

**Fires in New York.**

By telegraph to the Observer.

New York, March 20.h.—The big buildings of the National White Lead Company at Port Richmond, on Staten Island, were burned this morning. The loss is $100,000.

Middletown, N, Y., March 20.—The New York, Ontario and Western Railroad machine shops were burned this morning. The loss is $40,000.

**"Does England Desire War With France."**

By cable to the Observer.)

Paris, March 20.—Le Gaulois publishes replies of prominent Englishmen to the question: "Does England wish war with France." Cardinal Vaughan, Lord Chief Justice Russell, Sir Charles Dilke and Hon Charles Russell declare emphatically that she does not.

**The Battle Fields of Virginia.**

By telegraph to the Observer.

Washington, March 20.—The House Committee on Military Affairs to-day authoirzed a favorable report on the bill providing for a memorial park of the largest battlefield in the world. It comprises Chancellorsville, Salem Church and Fredericksburg, Spotsylvania Court House, the Wilderness and other battlefields in Virginia.

**The Battleship Kearsage.**

By telegraph to the Observer.

Washington, March 21.—The Trial Board has been ordered to report to Fort Monroe for the official sea trial of the battleship Kearsage, scheduled for April 3rd. The ship will be kept at sea two full days testing the soundness of machinery and hull.

**No Peace for Englishmen.**

By cable to the Observer:

London, March 19.—Scenes of violence continue to mark meetings held by advocates of peace. It is almost impossible for peace men to hold a meeting in any town in England now. Many projected meetings have been abandoned on advice of the police. Edinboro students would have killed a speaker at the city hall meeting but the police rescued him just in time.

**Mafeking in a Desperate Plight.**

Mafeking still holds out but the city is in a desperate plight. Plumer's force from the north has reconnoitered within fourteen miles, and a Boer force is hurrying to cut off the railroad behind him. Methuen's force is forty-four miles from Kimberley.

**Advance on Pretoria.**

Mafeking has not been relieved so far as known here. Probably the converging of British troops towards Mafeking indicates a much more serious purpose than merely its relief. Judging from Methuen's presence at Warrenton and the capture of the nearby passage of the Vaal at Fourteen Streams, keen observers believe Roberts meditates an advance in force on Pretoria via Rustenburg, which might be started at Fourteen Streams or Kleerksdorp and would coincide probably with the advance via Bloemfontein and Natal.

**Oliver Retreats to Kroonstadt.**

A dispatch to the Times from Aliwal north, states that Commandant Oliver has retreated towards Kroonstadt. He commandered all the food at Rouxville, whereupon the inhabitants appealed to General Brabant for assistance, which for the moment Brabant was unable to give.

**Have Boers Abandoned Siege of Mafeking.**

London, March 20.—Persistent rumors are in circulation that the Boers, fearing they will be intercepted by a force sent up by Roberts, have abandoned the siege of Mafeking and retreated to Pretoria. It is certain Mafeking must be relieved shortly, and that if the Boers maintain the investment they are in danger of annihilation. The war office makes no announcement of Mafeking's safety, but declares its belief that the position of the besieged forces is satisfactory.

**Kitchener Enters Prieska.**

General Kitchener has entered Prieska without opposition. The insurgents laid down their arms.

**Alarm in England Over Anglo-Russian Crisis.**

Serious alarm is felt here over the Anglo-Russian crisis. The new battleship Goliath, the new cruiser Argonaut and the torpedo boat destroyers Otter and Janus, and sloop Rosario were today ordered to China.

**No Confimation.**

The war office has no confirmation of the report that Mafeking has been relieved.

**The Fate of Johanesburg.**

Considerable interest is attached to the fate of Johanesburg. It is reported that a consultation has taken place between the German Ambassador and Secretary Hay regarding the urging of both belligerents to leave Johanesburg alone. The Pall Mall Gazette pronounces it a glorious yarn manufactured by Mr. Leyds.

**British Plan to Pacify South Africa.**

The government plan to pacify South Africa is to increase the number of British subjects there. The Dutch at present are in a great majority. Every effort will be made to induce reservists, time expired men, volunteers and colonials from abroad to settle in South Africa as soon as the war is over. A half section of land will be given each, provided he will occupy it ten years.

**Boers Blow Up a Bridge.**

Bloemfontein, March 20.—The Boers blew up the railroad bridge over the Modder River, fourteen miles north of here last night. The law courts were reopened today.

It is hard to stand idly by and see our dear ones suffer while awaiting the arrival of the doctor. An Albany (N. Y.) dairyman called at a drug store there for a doctor to come and see his child, then very sick with croup. Not finding the doctor in, he left word for him to come at once on his return. He also bought a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, which he hoped would give some relief until the doctor should arrive. In a few hours he returned, saying the doctor need not come, as the child was much better. The druggist, Mr. Otto Scholz, says the family has since recommended Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to their neighbors and friends until he has a constant demand for it from that part of the country. For sale by B. E. Sedberry & Sons.

## Kruger and Steyn Address a Vast Camp Meeting.

### They Tell the Boers They Will Have Independence.

### Our Warships Will Not Go Abroad at this Time.

Eganism in England—Tremendous Excitement on Wall Street—A Cool French Judge—The Joint High Commission to Reassemble—Otis Wants Surgeons By the Wholesale.

**The Relief of Mafeking.**

By cable to the Observer.

London, March 21.—The relief column from the north and another from the south, are rapidly drawing near Mafeking. The relief of the town, it is believed, cannot long be delayed.

**Tremendous Excitement on N. Y. Stock Exchange.**

By telegraph to the Observer.

New York, March 21.—There was great excitement again to-day on the stock exchange. Third avenue mounted nine and a quarter points in half-an-hour, reaching 110½. Tremendous excitement spread from Board to Wall street, which was crowded with brokers.

**Eganism in England.**

By cable to the Observer.

London, March 21.—Disclosures of fraudulent contracts for victualing the troops, promise to make a big sensation before peace is declared. Mr. Lowther, one of the strongest Tories in the House of Commons, has taken the matter in hand. Another phase of the matter shows army officers as deep in the mud as the contractors, especially in the purchase of coal.

**A Cool Judge.**

By cable to the Observer.

Paris, March 21.—An attempt was made to-day to murder the presiding Judge of the Fifth Court at the Palace of Justice by a druggist who had just lost a suit. The Judges had just taken their seats and counsel in another case had just begun his speech, when druggist Bardin drew a revolver and fired three shots at the Judge, one of the bullets grazing his head. The guards threw themselves upon Bardin and removed him to a cell while the Judge, with perfect coolness, said to the counsel, "You may continue, Maitre, it is nothing."

**European Tour of American Fleet Postponed.**

By cable to the Observer.

Portsmouth, England, March 21.—The Mayor today received a despatch from Secretary Long stating that arrangements for sending the fleet of American warships abroad, has been abandoned for the present. The Secretary wired that at a later date the United States warships would undoubtedly be sent to European waters.

**Kruger and Steyn Address a Vast Camp Meeting—Boers Defiantly Awaiting British Advance.**

By cable to the Observer.

Pretoria, March 20th.—A despatch from Kroonstad on the 18th says that the Pretoria command there are in grand spirits. That they are ready for the enemy and are even defiantly awaiting the British advance. Presidents Kruger and Steyn addressed a vast campmeeting today. Kruger passionately appealed to the Burghers to maintain their gallant fight for freedom. He told them he was certain the ultimate result of the war would be that the Boer republics would retain their independence, despite the temporary British occupation of Bloemfontein. Steyn followed in a strong speech. He told the Burghers that the Free State was far from conquered, because the capital was occupied by the British. He informed the Burghers that England had defiantly refused to allow the republics to remain independent States, and therefore all the republics had to do was fight to the last. Steyn said the Boers had lost less than a thousand killed, and that the war was really just beginning. He warned the Burghers not to believe Roberts's proclamation, nor accept his proposition to lay down their arms. He said Milner had publicly proclaimed that the Africanders would be exterminated, knowing the republics would fight to the end. The speech aroused wild enthusiasm.

**Otis Wants Surgeons by the Wholesale.**

By telegraph to the Observer.

Washington, March 21.—The appeal of General Otis for more surgeons for the Philippines is being responded to by the War Department as rapidly as possible. Seventeen acting assistant surgeons were ordered from this country to Manila to day. The sending of a number of surgeons leads to the belief that the requisition of Otis is a continuing one, and that medical men will be sent until Otis says quit.

**Steyn's Little Joke.**

By cable to the Observer.

London, March 21.—It is said that Kruger, when he left Bloemfontein, was told by President Steyn to "mind that the British do not catch you, or you will get better quarters at St. Helena than I."

**Accident on The Pennsylvania.**

By telegraph to the Observer.

Pittsburg, Pa., March 21.—The second section of the Western Expres train on the Pennsylvania Railroad was partially wrecked today on entering the Altoona yard. Engineer Kaufman was killed and two men were badly injured. The engine left the rails.

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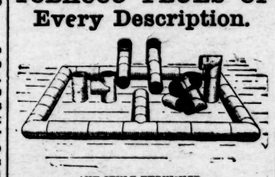

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**The Joint High to Reassemble.**

By telegraph to the Observer.

Ottawa, March 21st.—Premier Sir Wilfred Laurier announces today that the Joint High Commission will reassemble.

Premier Laurier said that the commission would assemble shortly, and, he believed, in Ottawa. He hoped in a few days to be able to state the position of the various Protocols.

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REVISED DAILY.

| COTTON. | |
|---|---|
| Middling | 9¼ |
| Fair Middling | 9¾ |
| Good Middling | 9¼ |
| **NAVAL STORES** | |
| Spirits | 52 |
| Common Rosin | 1 10 |
| Virgin | 2 20 |
| Yellow Dip | 2 20 |
| Hard | 1 20 |
| **PRODUCE** | |
| REPORTED BY A. S. HUSKE, GROCER. | |
| Flour—1st pat., sack, | $2.40@$2.65 |
| Family Flour—2nd pat., sack | $2.00 @ 2.20 |
| Hides—dry—per lb. | 8@10 |
| " —green—per lb. | 5 |
| Wool—washed | 15@20 |
| Bacon—hog round per lb | 8 |
| " —ham | 9a10 |
| " —sides— | 8½ |
| " —shoulders— | 8 |
| Oats—32 lbs per bushel | 45 |
| Peas—clay | 75 |
| " —mixed | 70 |
| " —white, | 100@110 |
| Meal—bolted—46 lbs per bushel | 55@60 |
| " —unbolted—48 lbs per bushel | 50@55 |
| Corn—old—56 lbs per bushel | 57 |
| Onions—select—per bushel | 1.00a1.25 |
| Lard—N. C. | 8@9 |
| Tallow | 4 |
| Ducks | 20@25 |
| Hens—per head | 22½@25 |
| Roosters—per head | 18 a 20 |
| Turkeys—per lb | 8a9 |
| Guineas | none |
| Geese | 25 a 30 |
| Country Butter | 25 |
| Hams | 12a13 |
| Honey—strained—per lb | 8c |
| Eggs, | 9 |
| Feathers—new | 35 a 40 |
| Potatoes—Irish—new | 1.00a1,25 |
| Potatoes—Sweet—new | 65 |
| Pork | 5@6 |

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is hereby given that a special meeting of the stockholders of the Hope Mills Manufacturing Company will be held at the office of the Company at Hope Mills, North Carolina on Wednesday the fourth day of April, A. D. 1900, at five o'clock P. M., to take action on a proposed issue of sixty thousand dollars ($60,000) of bonds of the company, payable April 1st, A. D. 1910, with interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum from April 1st, A. D 1900, to be secured by a mortgage on the property purchased from the Beaver Creek and Bluff Mills and conveyed to the Hope Mills Manufacturing Company by deed dated October 9th, A. D. 1899.

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**Libel Notice.**

The following personal property was seized in this the 4th District of North Carolina as follows:

Near Hope Mills 3rd of March, 1900, 2 kegs of Whisky, about 12 gallons.

On the 16th March, at G. M. Taylor's registered distillery, 6 barrels corn whisky, 219 gallons, one copper still, cap and two worms 6 fermenters, 2 mash tubs, &c.

Any person claiming interest in any of said property must file claims before me at my office in Raleigh within thirty days from date of this libel notice and show cause why said property shall not be forfeited to the United States.

Given under my hand and official seal this the 17th day of March, 1900.

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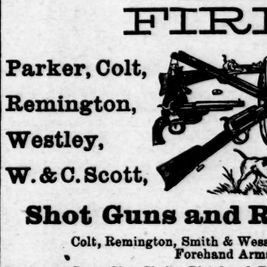

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**McCaskill Appointed.**

President McKinley Wednesday sent the name of Alexander L. McCaskill to the Senate for confirmation as Postmaster at Fayetteville. Mr. McCaskill lives in Flea Hill township, and was Register of Deeds of Cumberland County under the fusion regime.

Sarah H. Darden has been appointed postmaster at Little River Academy.

**Directors of the Fayetteville Cotton Mill.**

The stockholders of the Fayetteville Cotton Mill met Wednesday afternoon and elected the following directors:

Messrs. Chas. Haigh, J. P. Thomson, H. W. Lilly, W. S. Cook, R. McMillan, E. L. Pemberton and A. A. McKethan. These directors will meet in a few days and elect officers.

The factory was reported in a very prosperous condition.

**The Bill Introduced in Congress for the Improvement of the Cape Fear.**

Representative Thomas' bill for the improvement of the Cape Fear river between Wilmington and this city, is in detail as follows:

"Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America assembled, that the Secretary of War be, and is hereby, authorized and directed to cause a survey to be made of the Upper Cape Fear river, from the city of Wilmington, North Carolina, to the city of Fayetteville, North Carolina; said survey to be made for the purpose of estimating the cost of producing four, six, and eight feet of water at all times between said city of Wilmington and said city of Fayetteville. That the sum of three thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to cover the cost and expenses of said survey."

**Fayetteville Items in The Robesonian.**

The Lumber Bridge department of the Robesonian contains the following:

W. W. Huske, of Fayetteville, and of late the Chairman of the Executive Committee, spent a night with us the past week. He is a clever gentleman and we enjoyed his stay. He married a daughter of the late Jno. Manning, whom we knew well as a bright and cultured girl in her teens when we were together residents of Pittsboro.

The death of Maj. W. F. Campbell last Thursday night was heard here through the Daily Observer Friday with universal expression of sadness. Our people had not heard of his sickness and were shocked by the news. His friends were numerous in the community and with one accord all unite in saying now what they had said again and again ere he was gone that he was a perfect gentleman, courteous and magnetic to a rare degree among men. He was known more widely as a business man of sterling integrity by our people and they liked to trade with him. His sorrowing family have our sympathies.

**Proposed Municipal Building---A Building with a History.**

In another column will be found an advertisement offering the Flour Warehouse for sale. It has been suggested, and it is with this purpose in view that the building is to be sold, that the proceeds be used in building a Town Hall on the lot now occupied by the guard house, or at some other convenient place. In the building will be situated the Fire Department, suitable cells for prisoners, and the executive offices of the city.

In speaking of the proposed sale of the Flour Warehouse, Mr. Myrover in the Wilmington Messenger says:

A resolution was passed at the meeting of the municipal board to sell the time-worn brick building on Person street, the property of the city, familiar to past generations as the "Flour warehouse." Here in old times, the lamented citizens, long since at rest, Mr. Sedberry and afterwards Mr. Philemson Taylor, held sway as flour inspectors—for the up-country mills furnished us with all our daily bread, the canvas topped wagons bringing large quantities of flour in bags, all of which was graded before it could be sold to consumers. In 1886 the first floor of the building was used for a short time as a tobacco warehouse, and in 1868 the second floor was occupied by the largest political convention that ever assembled in Fayetteville, presided over by the gifted Walter L. Steele and nominating Hon. Robert Strange for congress.


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**A Fayetteville Girl Abroad.**

The New Yorkers seem to think it wonderful that Mr. and Mrs. Pembroke Jones should be taken into the bosom of New York's best society so suddenly. Mrs. Jones is one of many fair women in the South who would do honor to any society in the world. The South is the home of elegance and refinement, and the North does well to pay honor to her sons and daughters.

The above comment is called forth by the following, which we find in the society columns of a great New York paper:

The Pembroke Joneses have decided to leave Newport alone this Summer. They will go abroad with young Walters in his yacht and take in the Paris Exposition. I am rather surprised that the Pembroke Joneses did not follow up the victory they achieved at Newport last summer. Mrs. Jones is a clever, handsome young woman; Jones is a nice fellow, and their friend Walters is an excellent aid with his yacht and individual wealth. In the beginning of the Summer you heard "Pembroke Jones" on every side. At first a great many people asked who were the Pembroke Joneses.

Newport is an odd place, and there have been some social wrecks along the coast. You do not need to entertain only. You must have something else to obtain a passport. Some social aspirants have had their hopes shattered in less than two weeks of a Newport season, and others again would not dare to make the experiment. But the Pembroke Joneses sailed in and gave luncheons and yachting parties and other delightful affairs at a time when entertaining was at a low ebb. At first they acquired an acquaintance with the strict Knickerbocker set, a few of which still frequent Newport, instead of Southampton and Bar Harbor. Although well born, they are not exactly in it, and all newcomers meet them on their arrival at Newport. Some of these people can be of help and others cannot.

Gradually the Pembroke Joneses graduated from the Pierson-McAllister set into the little clan in which Mrs. George B. De Forest and Mrs. Townsend Burden were leaders. And from then on their social fortunes were made. Everybody went to the Pembroke Jones entertainments. Few young women knew better how to act the graceful hostess. Mrs. Jones was a Southern woman of one of the old Carolina families, and she had that beautiful voice and gracious manner which are heritages. So that the Pembroke Joneses seemed to be so high in the social firmament that it was almost a race between them and the John R. Drexels. But the Winter has proved otherwise.

**News of Interest.**

The following is the text of Lord Roberts' dispatch to the War Office announcing his occupation of Bloemfontein, which the OBSERVER told of Wednesday.

"Blomfontein, Tuesday, March 13.—(8 p. m.)—By the help of God and by the bravery of Her Majesty's soldiers, the troops under my command have taken possession of Bloemfontein. The British flag now flies over the Presidency, evacuated last evening by Mr. Steyn, late President of the Orange Free State. Mr. Frazer, member of the late Executive Government; the mayor, the Secretary of the late Government; the Landrest and other officials met me two miles from the town and presented me with the keys of the public offices.

The enemy have withdrawn from the neighborhood, and all seems quiet. The inhabitants of Bloemfontein gave the troops a cordial welcome."

The above dispatch, though dated Tuesday, was not received at the War Office until 7:30 p. m., Wednesday. It was made public a few minutes before 9 o'clock.

Secretary Root and party will start home from Havana next Saturday coming via Charleston.

Snow fell throughout Virginia last Thursday.

A dispatch from Manila last week says:

Flores, Aguinaldo's Secretary of War, has surrendered to General MacArthur.

Aguinaldo's infant son, who was captured in November, and who has been suffering from smallpox, is dead.

In the British House of Commons Thursday replying to Mr. William Redmond, Irish Nationalist, who asked whether the Government of the United States has offered its good offices to Her Majesty's Government with the view of bringing about peace in South Africa, the Government leader, Mr. Balfour, said Her Majesty's Government would not accept the intervention of any power in the settlement of South African affairs.

Mr. Balfour's reading of Mr. Hay's dispatch conveying the intervention, requested, aroused cheers from the Irish members.

Continuing Mr. Balfour said:

"Lord Salisbury requested Mr. White to convey the sincere acknowledgement of Her Majesty's Government to the Government of the United States for the friendly tone of their communication and to say that Her Majesty's Government does not propose to accept the intervention of any power in the settlement of South African affairs."

Loud and prolonged cheers followed the statement.

Lord Methuen, speaking at the Town Hall, Kimberley, Friday, said:

"Although some of the enemy's men were guilty of dastardly tricks, we must remember that their army is not organized with the same discipline as our own. I never wish to meet a braver general than Cronje and never served in a war where there was less vindictiveness between the two armies than in this one."

**Tramp Injured.**

On the fast vestibule which arrived here last Friday at 2 o'clock was an Italian tramp named Lewndo Poevilino, who was badly cut by breaking through the window of the blind baggage, which he claimed he was compelled to do to avoid freezing to death. He was left here in charge of the A. C. L's. physician, Dr. J. V. McGougan,


My mother suffered with chronic diarrhoea for several months. She was attended by two physicians who at last pronounced her case hopeless. She procured one 25 cent bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and five doses gave her permanent relief. I take pleasure in recommending it as the best on the mark et.—MRS. F. E. WATSON, Aiken, Ala. Sold by B. E. Sedberry & Sons.

Mrs Calvin Zimmerman, Milesburg, Pa., says, "As a speedy cure for coughs, colds, croup and sore throat One Minute Cough Cure is unequalled. It is pleasant for children to take. I heartily recommend it to mothers." It is the only harmless remedy that produces immediate results. It cures bronchitis, pneumonia, grippe and throat and lung diseases. It will prevent consumption. King Bros.

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**The Green Flies Over Windsor Castle.**

By cable to the Observer.

London, March 17.—The Shamrock is seen everywhere in London today. Every Englishman wears a Shamrock in his buttonhole. Omnibus drivers ride under green flags, and all for the nonce have turned the red, white and blue into green. Every where this tribute is being paid to Irish gallantry. The green flag flies over Windsor Castle.

**Shamrock by the Ton.**

A great rush was made to Covent Garden this morning for Shamrock, the supply was soon exhausted, sprays bringing twenty-four to thirty shillings ($6 to $7 50) per dozen. It is estimated that during the week twenty tons of genuine Irish shamrock and sixty tons of clover has been sold.

**A Great Parade in New York.**

By telegraph to the Observer.

New York, March 17.—The display to day is expected to exceed all previous St. Patrick's days. The parade will be under the lead of the ancient order of Hibernians. Street Commissioner Nagle has cleared the entire route of the heavy snowfall. The Sixty-Ninth has the right line. There are forty-seven other divisions.

**Republican Revolutionists.**

By telegraph to the Observer.

Louisville, March 15.---Arrangements were completed to-day for the formation of an organization of the best Republican citizens of Kentucky to investigate the charges against Powers, Culton, Davis and Hazelshipp and raise money to defend them. The promoters of this scheme have employed ex-Governor Bradley as leading counsel, and they will protect the accused by force if necessary. Organizations to act in conjunction with the central body will be formed all over the State and the overt acts of the Goebelites will be met by force if the arrest of Republicans generally is carried any further. Taylor will surrender neither the militia nor his office.

**Town Being Wiped Out.**

By telegraph to the Observer.

Falls Village, Conn, March 16.---The entire business portion of the town is ablaze and seems doomed. The local fire department is unable to cope with the conflagration, and the flames are raging unchecked, threatening to devour the principal portion of the town. Aid has been summoned from Winsted, but will scarcely reach here on account of the storm.

**Big Fire in New York.**

By telegraph to the Observer.

Utica, N. Y., March 16.h.—The Mohawk Valley Hotel Block, at Mohawk, was burned at four o'clock this morning. It contained five stores, the post office, a number offices, opera house and masonic hall. Nothing was saved. All the town records, masonic records and the charter were burned. These losses aggregate $100 000. Forty boarders in the hotel escaped uninjured.

**Will Upset the Open Door.**

By cable to the Observer.)

Shanghai, March 15.---The American Association telegraphed the United States Government to day that the attitude of the Empress Dowager towards the Reformers will upset the open door policy. They also say that rebellion and anarchy is expected to the detriment of foreign interests and advocate prompt and concerted action of the powers. The China Association will appeal to the British Minister on the same subject.

**More Soldiers for the Philippines.**

By telegraph to the Observer.

Norfolk, March 17.—The new army transport Sumner sailed to-day for New York to take on nine hundred soldiers at Fort Slocum for the Philippines.

**OFFICIAL TEXT OF THE AMENDMENT.**

Section 1. That Article VI of the Constitution of North Carolina be, and the same is hereby abrogated, and in lieu thereof shall be substituted the following Article of said Constitution.

ARTICLE VI.

Suffrage and Eligibility to Office—Qualifications of an Elector.

[Section 1] Every male person born in the United States, and every male person who has been naturalized, twenty-one years of age, and possessing the qualifications set out in this Article, shall be entitled to vote at any election by the people in the State, except as herein otherwise provided.

[Sec. 2] He shall have resided in the State of North Carolina for two years, in the county six months, and in the precinct, ward or other election district in which he offers to vote, four months next preceding the election: Provided, That removal from one precinct, ward or other election district to another in the same county, shall not operate to deprive any person of the right to vote in the precinct, ward or other election district from which he has removed, until four months after such removal. No person who has been convicted, or who has confessed his guilt in open court upon indictment, of any crime, the punishment of which now is, or may hereafter be, imprisonment in the State Prison, shall be permitted to vote, unless the said person shall be first restored to citizenship in the manner prescribed by law.

[Sec. 3.] Every person offering to vote shall be at the time alleged registered voter as herein prescribed and in the manner hereinafter provided by law, and the General Assembly of North Carolina shall enact general registration laws to carry into effect the provisions of this Article.

[Sec. 4] Every person presenting himself for registration shall be able to read and write any section of the Constitution in the English language; and before he shall be entitled to vote, he shall have paid, on or before the first day of March of the year in which he proposes to vote, his poll tax as prescribed by law, for the previous year. Poll taxes shall be a lien only on assessed property, and no process shall issue to enforce the collection of the same except against assessed property.

[Sec. 5.] No male person who was, on January 1, 1867, or at any time prior thereto, entitled to vote under the laws of any State in the United States, wherein he then resided, and no lineal descendant of any such person, shall be denied the right to register and vote at any election in this State by reason of his failure to possess the educational qualifications prescribed in section 4 of this article: Provided, He shall have registered in accordance with the terms of this section prior to December 1, 1908. The General Assembly shall provide for a permanent record of all persons who register under this section on or before November first, one thousand, nine hundred and eight, and all such persons shall be entitled to register and vote in all elections by the people in this State, unless disqualified under Section 2 of this article: Provided, such persons shall have paid their poll tax as required by law.

[Sec. 6] All elections by the people shall be by ballot, and all elections by the General Assembly shall be viva voce.

[Sec. 7.] Every voter in North Carolina, except as in this article disqualified, shall be eligible to office, but before entering upon the duties of the office he shall take and subscribe the following oath: "I....., do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and maintain the Constitution and laws of the United States, and the Constitution and laws of North Carolina not inconsistent therewith, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of my office as ..... So help me. God."

[Sec. 8] The following classes of persons shall be disqualified for office. First, all persons who shall deny the being of Almighty God. Second, all persons who shall have been convicted or confessed their guilt on indictment pending, and whether sentenced or not, or under judgment suspended, of any treason or felony, or of any other crime for which the punishment may be imprisonment in the penitentiary, since becoming citizens of the United States, or of corruption and malpractice in office, unless such person shall be restored to the rights of citizenship in a manner prescribed by law.

Section 2. That all the provisions of the Constitution relating to suffrage, registration and elections, as contained in this act, amending the Constitution, shall go into effect on the first day of July, 1902, if a majority of the qualified voters of the State so declare at the next general election.

Sec. 3. This amendment shall be submitted at the next general election to the qualified voters of the State in the same manner and under the same rules and regulations as provided in the law regulating general elections in the State, and in force May 1st, 1899, and at said election those persons desiring to vote for such amendment shall cast a written or printed ballot with the words "For Suffrage Amendment" thereon; and those with a contrary opinion shall cast a written or printed ballot with the words "Against Suffrage Amendment" thereon.

Sec. 4. The said election shall be held, and the votes returned, compared, counted and canvassed, and the result announced, under the same rules and regulations as are in force for returning, comparing, counting and canvassing the votes for members of the General Assembly, May 1st, 1899, and if a majority of the votes cast are in favor of the said amendment, it shall be the duty of the Governor of the State to certify said amendment, under the seal of the State, to the Secretary of State, who shall enroll the said amendment so certified among the permanent records of his office.

Sec. 5. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

**State of North Carolina,**
**Office of Secretary of State.**

I, Cyrus Thompson, Secretary of State of the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify the foregoing and attached four (4) sheets to be a true copy from the records of this office.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal.

Done in office at Raleigh, this 29th day of July, in the year of our Lord, 1899. [Seal.]

CYRUS W. THOMPSON,
Secretary of State.


# A SMALL SPOT MAY BE CANCER.

**MOST VIOLENT CASES HAVE APPEARED AT FIRST AS MERE PIMPLES.**

The greatest care should be given to any little sore, pimple or scratch which shows no disposition to heal under ordinary treatment. No one can tell how soon these will develop into Cancer of the worst type. So many people die from Cancer simply because they do not know just what the disease is; they naturally turn themselves over to the doctors, and are forced to submit to a cruel and dangerous operation—the only treatment which the doctors know for Cancer. The disease promptly returns, however, and is even more violent and destructive than before. Cancer is a deadly poison in the blood, and an operation, plaster, or other external treatment can have no effect whatever upon it. The cure must come from within—the last vestige of poison must be eradicated.

Mr. Wm. Walpole, of Walshtown, S. D., says: "A little blotch about the size of a pea came under my left eye, gradually growing larger, from which shooting pains at intervals ran in all directions. I became greatly alarmed and consulted a good doctor, who pronounced it Cancer, and advised that it be cut out, but this I could not consent to. I read in my local paper of a cure effected by S. S. S., and decided to try it. It acted like a charm, the Cancer becoming at first irritated, and then discharging very freely. This gradually grew less and then discontinued altogether, leaving a small scab which soon dropped off, and now only a healthy little scar remains where what threatened to destroy my life once held full sway." Positively the only cure for Cancer is Swift's Specific—

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—because it is the only remedy which can go deep enough to reach the root of the disease and force it out of the system permanently. A surgical operation does not reach the blood—the real seat of the disease—because *the blood can not be cut away.* Insist upon S. S. S.; nothing can take its place.

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We have from time to time given to our customers tokens of appreciation. Last Spring we gave away, with all agricultural Tools, Garden Seed. For many years we have subscribed for the "Farm Journal," and we know of nothing that, in our opinion, would more benefit farmers, and so we have made arrangements with the publishers and will give one year's subscription to it to each of our farmer customers, or others interested, who buys, at one purchase, THREE DOLLARS WORTH of goods for CASH between the 15th of March and the 15th of May, 1900.

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**Where Severe Fighting Will Take Place.**

By cable to the Observer.

London, March 15.—Mr. Steyn, President of the Orange Free State, having gone to Kroonstadt with twelve thousand troops, it is believed the British army will closely follow. The continental opinion is that the Free Staters have practically thrown up the sponge. It is thought that likely a rear guard action will be fought with the irreconcilable Free Staters and Transvaalers at Kroonstadt, then a retirement will be made to the lines on the Vaal where there will likely be severe fighting.

**Roberts at Bloemfontein.**

Precisely at 1:30 Tuesday afternoon a union jack made for the purpose by Lady Roberts was hoisted over the presidency of Bloemfontein amid acclamations, many Free State Burghers heartily joining in. The opposition to the English entry was insignificant and a few shells drove them away. During his progress through the town Roberts ordered instant replacement of goods being looted by the Kaffirs.

**British to Storm The Drakensburg Passes.**

A Durban despatch of yesterday's date says that in view of developments in the Free State, the intention of withdrawing Warren and a large part of the troops from Natal, has been abandoned. Forces instead are being sent back from the coast and an attempt will be made to storm the passes of Drakensburg into Free State. All the British heavy artillery is being moved from Ladysmith in the direction of Van Reenens pass. It is not believed the Free Staters, however, are in a strong enough position to hold the Drakensburg passes or have sufficient fighting energy left to resist an invasion from Natal.

**Boers Will Fight To Bitter End.**

Pretoria despatches say that the Boers and their leaders are wild with resentment over Salisbury's plainly expressed intention to wipe out the republics. All classes say they will fight to the bitter end.

**Boers in a Trap.**

London, March 16.—The Boer forces operating in northern Cape Colony are in a trap and the British are hurrying to hem in the burghers and crush them at one blow. With Gatacre on their front at Bethulie, Clements at Norvel's Point on their right and Brabant at Aliwal north on their left (they are retreating to Bloemfontein) to cut them off.

**Great Excitement in England.**

The news from Lorenzo Marquez that the British man-of-war Thetis is chasing the German steamship Kaiser and may take off the Boer commissioners, Abram Fischer and A. D. Wolmraones, has caused great excitement here.

**Roberts's Quaint Speech.**

General Roberts made a quaint speech to the Guards today, when he expressed pride in their splendid march of thirty eight miles in twenty eight hours. "Through a small mistake," he said, "I have been unable to march into Bloemfontein at the head of your brigade as I intended, but I promise you I will lead you into Pretoria."

**News from Mafeking.**

Mafeking, March 16.—The garrison continues cheerful in spite of short rations and disappointment at the failure of the relief expedition to reach here. The health of the garrison and non combatants is satisfactory.

**News from Bloemfontein.**

Bloemfontein, March 16.—General Prettyman is succeeding admirably as Military Governor. In a proclamation today he guarantees the Burghers the payment of arms and property confiscated. Roberts is reported as about to issue fresh proclamations which are expected to have the effect of precluding further opposition on the part of the Free Staters. Reports are current here that President Steyn will willingly surrender.

**Rhodes Talks.**

Cape Town, March 16.—In an interview, Cecil Rhodes says: "I feel strongly that we cannot have peace in South Africa so long as we have in the Republics a rallying ground for disloyalty and dissatisfaction. I do not think we can safely federate till they have had some years as crown colony government. Personally, I have done with the Bund."

**Boers Surprised.**

Vauzyl, March 15.—General Clements crossed the Orange River this morning at Norvals point, surprising the Boers who occupied the hills beyond. An immediate advance into the Free State in force is certain.

**Complete Collapse of Boer Resistance Expected.**

London, March 17th.—Despatches from all points indicate the complete collapse of Boer resistance. Hundreds of Free Staters are surrendering to Lord Roberts. The Basutoland forces are waiting his terms to do likewise. Generals Lucas Meyer and Schalkborg of the Transvaal army, have laid down their arms. All say the Boers cause is hopeless. A new offer of peace is expected from President Kruger.

**Has Mafeking Been Relieved.**

It is persistently reported here that Mafeking has been relieved. The war office does not confirm the report, but it comes from sources deemed authoritative. Despatches from Burghersdorf state that Commandant Olivier evacuated his position in front of the British north of the Orange river and that several Boers have surrendered.

**Will Steyn Surrender?**

The British commander in Basutoland, says eight hundred Boers from Bloemfontein have arrived there and that a big contiogent from Aliwal north are only waiting the terms of the British proclamation to surrender. It is also rumored that President Steyn is willing to surrender.

**Lady Grey Captured by a Ruse.**

The surrender of the town of Lady Grey was due to the ruse of a few loyalists, who notified the rebels that Major Hook had ordered the surrender of the town by five o'clock. The Rebels complied, and the Loyalists immediately despatched a messenger to inform Major Hook of the situation. Meanwhile, the union jack was hoisted and the rebels were instructed to salute it. The Loyalists picketed the town until the force with Major Hook arrived.

**Free Staters Surrendering.**

In response to General Roberts's proclamation, four hundred Free Staters surrendered yesterday.

**Buller up with the Boers at Van Renan's.**

Buller's scouts are in constant touch with the Boers at Van Renan's pass and in the Biggersburg range. It is reported that the Boers have a strong force in that neighborhood.

**Classes and Masses in the Free State.**

It is creditably reported that three-quarters of the Free State troops have returned to their farms. The Free State Boghers still holding out are said to be poor whites who have nothing to lose (—except their lives, poor fellows!)

**Gatacre Enters Sprinfontein.**

Bethulie, March 16th.—Gatacre's scouts have entered Sprinfontein. The main column is following and will soon enter. The country is clear of Boers.

**Big Massachusetts Fire.**

By telegraph to the Observer.

Hopkinton, Mass. March 15.—Five blocks of the business portion of this city was totally destroyed by fire that started at 2:30 this morning.

**Strikers Return to Work.**

By telegraph to the Observer.

Wilkesbarre, March 16th.—Three thousand striking miners of the Susquehanna coal company returned to work this morning.

**The Shamrock.**

By cable to the Observer.

London, March 16.—The whole city will be dressed in shamrock tomorrow. The Queen's shamrock order has developed a craze. One hundred bales of the plant were sold at Covent Garden today.

**Ten Thousand Witness Execution.**

By telegraph to the Observer.

Norfolk, March 15.—Robert Fortune and John Taylor, negroes, were hanged this morning at Nashville, N. C., for murder. So great was the desire to see the hanging that the Nash county board of commissioners made the hanging public. It is estimated that ten thousand witnessed the double execution.


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Any adult suffering from a cold settled on the breast, bronchitis throat or lung troubles of any nature, who will call at B. E. Sedberry & Sons, will be presented with a sample bottle of Boschee's German Syrup, free of charge. Only one bottle given to one person, and none to children without order from parents.

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## Notice of Sale.

By virtue of the authority contained in a mortgage deed, executed to me on the 23rd day of February, 1897, by K. E. Barefoot, and duly registered in the Register's office of Cumberland county, in Book A. No. 5, page 6 I shall sell, at auction for cash, at the Court House door in the town of Fayetteville, on the

**26th day of March, 1900,**

the following real property, to-wit:

A certain piece or tract of land lying and being in Cumberland County, State of North Carolina, in Black River Township, and described and defined as follows:

Beginning at a cypress in the main run of Mingo and runs *N* 6½ *W* 25 poles and 15 links to a hickory on the side of the path; thence *N* 72 *W* 25 poles to a stake in the path; thence *N* 23 *W* 139 poles to a stake on the west side of Reedy Branch; thence *S* 45 *W* 26 poles to a small black gum in the edge of a small branch; thence South 57 chains and 70 links to a cypress knee in the main run of Mingo; thence up the main run as it meanders to the beginning, containing 103 acres and fully described in said mortgage

This 16th day of February, 1900.

L. E PARKER, Mortgagee.

James D. Parker, Att'y

## Commissioner's Land Sale.

By virtue of a judgment and decree of the Superior Court of Cumberland county rendered in a proceeding therein pending, entitled D. J. Ray and wife M. C. Campbell, Sarah C. McDuffie and others, *ex parte*, I will offer and sell, by public auction for cash, at Montrose in Cumberland county, on

**Monday, the 2nd Day of April,**

1900, at 11 o'clock A. M.,

**100 ACRES OF LAND,**

consisting of two tracts of 50 acres each, in Cumberland county, on the waters of Big Rockfish, south of the head of Cabin Branch, bounded by each other and the Gillis land, fully described in the petition in the above case on file in the Clerk's office in said county.

This February 28th, 1900

J. C. CAMPBELL, Commissioner.

## Administratrix Notice.

Having this day duly qualified as administratrix of the estate of Margaret A Williams, all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present them to the undersigned duly authenticated, on or before the 3rd day of February, 1901. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make settlement,

This February 3rd, 1900.

EUGENIA WILLIAMS, Administratrix.

N. A. Sinclair, Attorney.

## Notice of Summons.

NORTH CAROLINA, Cumberland Co. } In Superior Court, before the Clerk.

Eva (Manly) Bell *vs.* John A. Manly, Caroline McMillan, William McMillan, Charlotte Manly, Caldon Manly, Mary Francis Manly, Maggie Jane Manly, Sarah Kate Manly, Flora Smith Manly, Charles Lovett—Publication of Summons.

The defendants John A Manly, Caroline McMillan, William McMillan, Charlotte Manly, Caldon Manly, Mary Francis Manly, Maggie Jane Manly, Sarah Kate Manly and Flora Smith Manly, above named, will take notice that an action entitled as above, has been commenced in the Superior Court of Cumberland County for the pose of having a sale and division of proceeds among the tenan's in common, the complaint now being on file in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court in said county, and the said defendants will further take notice that they are required to be and appear at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Cumberland county, N. C, on the 16th day of April, 1900, and answer or demur to the said complaint, or the plaintiffs will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint

This 3rd day of March, 1900.

A. A. McKETHAN, Clerk of the Superior Court.

H. L. Cook, Att'y.

NORTH CAROLINA, Cumberland County. } In the Superior Court, before the Clerk.

D. G. McLellan, Executor of Jerry Dawson, *versus* R. C. Dawson Mimie Elliott and Mary Ann Elliott, heirs-at-law and devisees of Jerry Dawson—Summons.

The defendants above named, and especially Mimie Elliott and Mary Ann Elliott, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Cumberland county, the purpose of which is to sell the real estate of said Jerry Dawson to make assets to pay the debts of his said estate; and the said defendants will further take notice that they are required to appear before the Clerk of this Court, at his office in said county, on Thursday, the 22nd day of March, 1900, and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This the 6th day of February 1900.

A. A McKETHAN, Clerk Superior Court.

N. A. Sinclair, Attorney.

NORTH CAROLINA, Cumberland Co. } In Superior Court, before the Clerk.

E. Floyd and wife D A. Floyd, Joel C. Johnson in his own right and as guardian for Alfred R. Autry, Geo. G Autry and Stacy Lee Autry *vs.* Mrs. Rebecca Autry, widow of J. D. Autry and Chas Benj. Taylor and K Buie, guardian *ad litem*, and E. W. Autry *alias* Williams.—Petition for Partition.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION.

It appearing to the Court that E. W. Autry, *alias* Williams, one of the above named defendants, is not to be found in Cumberland county and cannot, after due diligence be found in this State, and it further appearing that he is a necessary party to an action relating to Real Estate in this State:

*It is therefore ordered*, that notice of this action be published once a week for six weeks in THE FAYETTEVILLE OBSERVER, a newspaper published in Cumberland County, setting forth the title of the action, the purpose of the same, and requiring the defendant to appear before the Clerk of the Superior Court of Cumberland county, at his office in the Court House in Fayetteville, N. C., on the 17th day of March, 1900, and answer or demur to the complaint of the plaintiff, or the relief therein will be granted.

A. A. McKETHAN, Clerk Superior Court.

This 31st day of January, 1900.

NORTH CAROLINA, Cumberland County. } In Superior Court

D. P. McEachern Administrator of John Buie, *vs.* Laura P. Ray, executrix of N. W. Ray and Trustee, and Neill Buie, Anna Buie, Sarah Graham, Flora Bishop Batsom and her husband, Daniel Batsom, Neill A. Buie, John C. Buie, Mary McN. Buie, Luther Buie, James A. Buie, S. M. Taylor and M. A. Taylor, heirs-at-law of John Buie.

The defendants above named, and especially Flora Bisho Batsom and her husband, Daniel Batsom, Neill A. Buie, John C. Buie and James A. Buie, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Cumberland County, the purpose of said action being to sell certain real estate in Cumberland county for division between the estate of the late John Buie and that of the late Capt. N. W. Ray and to make assets to pay the debts of the estate of the said John Buie; and the said defendants will further take notice that they are required to appear before the Clerk of this Court at his office in the Court House in said county, on Thursday, the 22d day of March, 1900, and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in their petition.

This the 7th day of February, 1900.

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N. A. Sinclair, Attorney.

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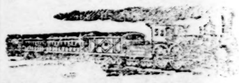

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